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## L. G. SANSING TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR



REV. L. G. SANSING

Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor of the First Church, Booneville, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour Sunday afternoon, February 27, at 2:30 CST over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WELO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WHOC, Philadelphia; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; KWEM, West Memphis; WJMB, Brookhaven.

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## Baptist Secretaries Re-Elect Officers

Biloxi, Feb. 16 — Dr. M. A. Huggins of Raleigh, N. C., was re-elected president of the Executive Secretaries organization of the Southern Baptist Convention at a meeting of the secretaries here today.

Also re-elected were Dr. John McGuire, Jacksonville, Fla., vice-president; and Dr. Willis J. Ray, Phoenix, Ariz., recording secretary.

Eighteen states of the Southern Baptist Convention territory were represented at the meeting.

The group voted to hold its 1950 meeting at Washington, D. C., next February.

A membership growth of 312,000 during 1948 was revealed in an evangelistic report covering this territory. The report showed there are now 6,500,000 Southern Baptists belonging to 26,000 churches.

Dr. D. A. McCall, of Jackson, paid tribute to the 22 associational missionaries in Mississippi who have organized churches, held revivals and furthered the work of the church here.

He also cited outstanding work done in 1948 by the Association Mission and the Mississippi Baptist Seminary for negroes.

## Preachers' School To Meet In Baptist Building Mar. 14-25

Preparation is being made for a Preachers' School, to be held in the Baptist Building, Jackson. The school, designed primarily for Bible Study, is sponsored by the Baptist Convention Board and will be under the direction of Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, State Evangelist and field worker. Cots will be furnished in the basement of the Baptist Building, with those attending providing their own linens.

The Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, pastor of Northside Church, Jackson, Rev. C. C. Weaver, DeKalb pastor, and Rev. Clarence Palmer, Chalhybeate, pastor will lead in Bible Studies each day at 8:00, 11:00, and 2:30, respectively.

At 9:30 each morning during the first week Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board, will discuss "Church Problems." During the second week at that period, an address will be delivered each morning on various phases of the church program. Sunday School, Brotherhood, Training Union, and Woman's Missionary Union. The Baptist Bookstore will present a program on Visual Aids. Time will be provided in the afternoon program for tours, including visits to the Orphanage, Mississippi College, and the Baptist Hospital.

Each evening at 7 o'clock the Rev. (Continued on Page Two)

## BAPTISTS ASK CONGRESS BAR AID TO PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS



DR. CLIFTON J. ALLEN

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, Secretary of Editorial Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will attend the Mississippi Sunday School Convention in the First Church of Columbus, March 8-9.

He never fails to challenge and inspire and a treat awaits all who hear him on Tuesday night, March 8.

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)— Federal aid to education which would bar funds to private schools was urged here in a resolution adopted by the Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations of U. S. Baptists.

The resolution called upon Congress to defeat attempts of any church group to obtain public funds for parochial schools.

It specifically urged revision of a federal aid-to-education bill in Congress, to provide that the aid go only to public schools.

The bill, introduced by Senators Thomas (D.-Utah) and Taft (R.-Ohio), calls for expenditure of \$300,000,000 a year for aid to elementary and secondary schools. As now written it would leave it up to the states to decide whether the funds would be used for private and parochial schools in addition to public institutions. A similar bill passed the Senate last year but the House took no action.

In another resolution, the Baptist group approved liberalized displaced persons legislation by endorsing the McGrath-Neely bill in the Senate and an identical bill introduced in the House by Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-N. Y.).

The McGrath-Neely and Celler bills (Continued on Page Two)

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## Greatest Need of Young Life

By Chester E. Swor

It is my conviction that the greatest single need of young life in America today is the need for restoration of the home as a dependable, godly influence. Our lads and lassies are in desperate need of sources of strength from the home.

The greatest source of strength will come from the family altar. If from the child's earliest memory he is a part of a daily family devotional period, hearing God's word, learning to love and respect it, the possibility of his becoming a juvenile problem is greatly reduced. The establishment of a family altar will generally assure the right parental teaching and wise parental discipline.

Even if it necessitates an earlier family rising than has heretofore been customary, every Southern Baptist family ought to read God's word and pray together as a family group daily. With day in and out parental teaching and discipline, and with a daily family period of worship, the youth dangers of today would cease to be major menace.

## Only 3 Thousand SBC Churches Have All Four Organizations

By Porter Routh

Only 3,091 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention have all four of the major organizations sponsored by the Convention, it is revealed in a survey to be published in the 1949 Southern Baptist Handbook, based on data supplied by 959 associational clerks.

The survey, the first complete study made of the organizational life of Southern Baptist churches, shows that 6,875 churches have Sunday school, Training Union and W. M. U., but no Brotherhood. Among the surprising facts disclosed by the analysis is the information that 3,130 churches have Sunday school and W. M. U., but no Training Union or Brotherhood; and 3,046 churches have Sunday School and Training Union, but no W. M. U. or Brotherhood.

Pointing up the need of many (Continued on Page Two)

## S. W. Cochran To Be New Dean of Men Succeeds Dr. H. G. Basden At Mississippi College

Clinton, Feb. 23 — Samuel Warren Cochran has been employed to become the new Dean of Men and Instructor in Psychology in Mississippi College, succeeding Professor Harold G. Basden, who has accepted the pastorate of the Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson.

He will begin his work here in March. Mr. Cochran has a B. A. degree from Mississippi College, M. A. from Peabody and has been working on the degree of Ph. D. at Vanderbilt and Peabody.

While Mr. Cochran was working on his doctorate, Mrs. Cochran has been employed by the Baptist Sunday (Continued on Page Two)

**CIRCULATION THIS WEEK . . . . . 63,395**  
**A GAIN OF 288 SINCE THE LAST REPORT**



## BAPTISTS ASK CONGRESS

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call for admission of 400,000 DPs to the United States. They would allow DPs who entered the American zones before April 21, 1947, to emigrate. Legislation passed by the 80th Congress provided for admission of 200,000 DPs but barred those who entered the American zones after December 22, 1945.

Officers elected at the meeting were: E. Hilton Jackson, Washington attorney, chairman; Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Louisville, Ky., vice-chairman; William B. Lippard, editor of Missions magazine, New York, recording secretary; E. H. deGroot, Jr., Washington attorney, treasurer, and Dr. J. M. Dawson, executive secretary.

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## ONLY THREE THOUSAND

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churches is the fact that there are still 8,769 churches which reported a Sunday school as their only organization in 1948. There were only 1,522 churches reporting no Sunday School. Many of these churches are inactive, but are still carried on associational lists.

Of the large states, Texas and Louisiana report the largest percentage of churches with all organizations. The complete survey, showing the number of organizations in each state, will be published in the 1949 Southern Baptist Handbook, soon to be on sale by Baptist bookstores.

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## PREACHERS' SCHOOL

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Waddell Valentine pastor of Southside Church, Jackson, will lead a 30 minute discussion on music. The Rev. William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board, will deliver Sermon Nuggets each evening at 7:30.

The school will run for two weeks, Mark 14-25, opening each week with supper on Monday and closing each Friday with the noon meal. Entertainment in the Baptist Building will be limited to 50, and 50 others may attend classes. No registration fee will be charged.

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## S. W. COCHRAN

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School Board in Nashville. She is also a graduate of Mississippi College and will come in March with Mr. Cochran to become private secretary to President D. M. Nelson, and hostess at Chrestman Hall.

Mr. Cochran is a veterans of World War II, and while serving with the American Air Force was shot down over Germany and was missing in action for three months. While being held prisoner in a hospital in Paris, he escaped from the Germans and made his way to the Allied Forces. He was First Lieutenant at the time of his capture, but after his escape, he was promoted to Captain, returned to the United States, and made an instructor in flying.

President Nelson said in announcing their coming, "The Cochrans will be a valuable addition to the Mississippi College staff."

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**THE CHRISTIAN IS TO MAINTAIN** such an unbroken fellowship with Christ that he will be transformed into the image of Christ. "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Cor. 3:18).



Miss Lanelle Williamson of Mt. Olive and Miss Anlyn Arrington of Collins were crowned "Queens" in the G. A. Coronation service at the Mt. Olive Church on February 11, climaxing the Focus Week of the G. A.'s of the association.



## Australian Churchmen Denounce Rita Hayworth

**SYDNEY** —(RNS)— Australian churchmen of all faiths are increased at American movie actress Rita Hayworth because of her public association with Moslem Prince Aly Khan.

(A report from Cannes, France, said the Prince announced he would divorce his present wife to marry Miss Hayworth. He said the actress would "not necessarily" have to adopt the Moslem religion.)

Clergymen in this country generally are in agreement with a Hollywood trade paper which urged the motion picture industry "to wash its hands" of Miss Hayworth.

The Rev. C. Irving Benson of Wesley church, Melbourne, said it was "refreshing to find that Hollywood was recognizing that there were limits which even the laxity of Hollywood could not let go unrebuked."

The Rev. J. Arthur Lewis, a Melbourne Baptist, declared that "Hollywood's morals stink and the sooner we clean them up the better." The Rev. W. L. Jarvis, a Sydney Baptist said it would be unfair to condemn only Miss Hayworth as "Hollywood's morals have slipped so low."

"If we worried about the morals of the film stars," he said, "we would be in a nice fix as we could not condemn Rita Hayworth without condemning half the population of Hollywood."

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## He Battled The Bottle And Lost, Read 'Third Strike'

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** — **THE THIRD STRIKE**, an American tragedy, will be released March 21, according to its publisher, Abingdon-Cokesbury Press of Nashville and New York.

It is the brief, bitter, unfinished story of Jerry Gray, a hopeless alcoholic, in the victim's own honest, soul-searching words. It is the true life story of a young man who battled the bottle and lost, who lived in dread and died in suicide.

Dr. Robert G. Lee, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, says: "I have read **THE THIRD STRIKE**. It is gruesome as to details. Appropriate words are used in this book to describe ghastly experiences and a life that culminates in a tragic horror. This book teaches that a person can more wisely expect to climb a thorn tree one hundred feet high and never get a scratch than to expect to drink booze and never be hurt."

Order your copy from the Baptist Book Store.

## MT. OLIVE GA's OBSERVE FOCUS WEEK, FEB. 6-12 Climaxed With Covington Assoc. Coronation Service

The Girls' Auxiliary of Mount Olive Church observed Focus Week February 6-12, under the leadership of Mrs. E. Delphin Miller, counselor.

On Sunday the girls sang "We've a Story to Tell to the Nation" at the morning worship hour. A devotional pageant was presented at the W. M. S. on Monday. A Mother-Daughter Banquet was sponsored on Tuesday, with 44 mothers and daughters present; Mrs. I. E. Rouse, of Woman's College, gave the devotional thought. The Auxiliary had its regular meeting on Wednesday, studying missions in China. Thursday was designated as "Do-a-Good-Deed" Day.

Climaxing the week's activities the G. A.'s of Covington Association met on Friday evening for a Coronation Service, with Miss Nell Taylor, State Young People's Leader, directing the program. Plans were made by Mrs. Miller, who is the Associational W. M. U. Superintendent and Mrs. O. B. Renick, Associational Young People's leader.

Those being recognized as "maidens" were: Susan Newton, Barbara Welch, Lynda Renick, Martha S. Crawford and Peggy Daniels of Seminary; Patty French, Betty Jean Shoemaker, Martha Gibson and Barbara Hill of Collins.

Linda Jordan, Martha Kate Harris, Norfleet Sullivan and Louise Daugherty of Salem.

Barbara McDaniels, Louise McNair, Helen Carr, June McLeod, Peggy Ann Johnson, Mary Ennis Crawford, Virginia Ann Lee, Lenora Milling, Leta Ann Milling and Ruth Campbell of Mt. Olive.

Receiving recognition as "ladies-in-waiting" were: Shirley Ann Welch, Wanda Nell Smith of Seminary; Carol Jean Arrington of Collins; Vivian Eve Spell, Jane Spell, Mary Alice McGee Annie Lois Harvey, Marie Thames and Erlene McCarty of Salem; Sylvia McDaniels, Gale McLeod, Bettye Day Miller and Ruby Nell Rutland of Mt. Olive.

Recognized as "princesses" were: Allyne Johnson, Anna Estes McRaney and Carolyn Runyan of Collins; Janice Kelly Ann McDaniels and Eleanor Carr of Mt. Olive; Willie Mere Blackwell and Darleen Renick of Seminary.

The crown bearers for the two queens were Earl Lee, Jr., and Joe Carr, Sunbeams of Mt. Olive and the flower girls were Gwendolyn Keys and Rachel Nell Grantham, Sunbeams of Salem.

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton  
Carl H. Lambert, Mt. Olive, Gardendale, Ala., from Howard College.  
L. H. Dawson, Associational Missionary, Cowan Association, N. C., from First Appalachia, Va.

Carlton B. Ellis, First, Niceville, Fla., from First Golden dars, Houston, Tex.  
Hillery Howell, Tallieson, Ariz., from Pierce City, Mo.

C. S. Wilson, Woodbury, Tenn., from Columbia, Tenn.

Leo Sanderson, Lewisburg, Tenn., from Huntington.

Wm. E. Drago, Louisiana Street Church, Memphis.

W. F. Badgett, Richmond Second, from Hazard, Ky.

J. Ray Dobbins, Beechmont, Louisville, Ky., from Owensboro.

Lawson Hatfield, First DeQueen, Ark., from Ashdown.

James Harney, Huntland, Tenn., from Wartrace.

L. L. Morriss, Central, Bayton, Tex., from Cameron.

Harold Wainwright, Central, Corbin, Ky., from Florence.

Robert D. Corrin, Dawson Street, Thomasville, Ga.

C. A. Moberg, First, Miami Beach, Fla., from Pahokee.

A. J. Garner, Stetson Church, Deland, Fla.

Earl R. Humble, Prescott, Ark., from Rhome, Tex.

Arthur M. Norton, Lake City, Ark., from Hope Church Urbana, Ill.

John W. Bowles, Ocean Drive, S. C., from East Side, McCool.

E. Buford Crain, Tigerville, S. C. from Eastland Church, Nashville, Tenn.

George R. Wikoff, Lynn Lane Church, Tulsa, Okla.

Joe Baker, Pryor, Okla., from Idabel.

Earl Rogers, First Kiefer, Okla., from Keota.

D. E. Strahan, Kansas State Missionary from Haileyville, Okla.

L. E. Stith, First, Henryetta, Okla., from Phoenix Avenue, Tulsa.

W. R. Bumpas, First Waco, Tex., from Educational Director, Trinity Church, Oklahoma City.

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## RESOLUTION

Whereas, Reverend Rowe C. Holcomb has for the past ten years served faithfully and efficiently as the Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kosciusko, Mississippi; and

Whereas, during this period of time he has endeared himself to the hearts of the membership of his Church; and

Whereas, during said time the Church has made a tremendous advancement in the various phases of its work; and

Whereas, under the divine leadership of his Master, he has resigned as pastor of this Church and has accepted the position as Pastor of the First Church at Hazlehurst, Mississippi;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the First Baptist Church of Kosciusko, Mississippi as follows:

1. The entire Church and its various organizations express to the Reverend Rowe C. Holcomb their deep love and appreciation for the untiring efforts he has spent and the valuable work which he has performed in the service of God to this Church, its organizations and community as a whole.

2. That we wish for him the same continuing success in his new field at Hazlehurst that he has enjoyed here.

3. That he and his family carry with him our devotion and our best wishes.

4. That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Church, a copy be furnished the Baptist Record and the press, and a copy be given to Reverend Rowe C. Holcomb and his family.

5. Adopted unanimously by rising vote at the regular worship hour Sunday morning, February 13, 1949.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
KOSCIUSKO,



# Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says:

"Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

## ALL OF MINE IS THINE IN 1949!

### ORGANIZING AND PREPARING FOR ASSOCIATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS SOUL SOUL WINNING CAMPAIGNS

#### I. THE ORGANIZER AND GENERAL CHAIRMAN

##### A. Associational Organizer

1. How elected — by association.
2. This is a permanent job.
3. Regular duties:
  - a. Work with associational chairman.
  - b. Seek to lead every church to have at least one revival each year.
  - c. Look after unchurched communities.
    - (1) Prepare a map of the association indicating full-time, half-time, quarter-time churches and mission stations.
    - (2) Have mission revivals to be sponsored by the near-by churches.
4. Duties leading up to a simultaneous campaign:
  - a. Seek to enlist every church in the association in the campaign.
  - b. If necessary, meet with each church and seek to enlist it.

##### B. Associational Chairman

1. How elected — by association.
2. This is a permanent job.
3. Duties:
  - a. Work with associational organizer.
  - b. Responsible for programs for all meetings pertaining to evangelism. If the association has a monthly workers' conference, the associational chairman should be on the program committee and see that some phase of evangelism is discussed at every monthly meeting.
  - c. Have an associational evangelistic conference as soon as possible after the state-wide conference. Plan a strong program.
  - d. Seek to enlist the minority groups in the associational simultaneous campaign. It is better to contact them when plans are first being made for a simultaneous campaign.

##### C. Associational Chairman during a Simultaneous Campaign

1. Chairman of the steering committee.
2. Responsible for seeing that all committee chairmen attend all associational and state conferences on evangelism.
3. Responsible for seeing that the proper preparation is made for the simultaneous campaign.
  - a. Must acquaint himself with the duties of each committee chairman if he is to know when each chairman is functioning.
  - b. Is to promote a program, a build-up for the campaign, beginning at least three months, and preferably six months, before the campaign is to start.
    - (1) Have meetings at least once each month, preferably twice a month; have written reports; seek to correlate the work; inform the pastors and churches as to what is being done.
    - (2) His relationship to the campaign is the same as the relationship of the pastor to a campaign in his own church.
4. His duties during the campaign:
  - a. Work with the director.
  - b. Preside at fellowship meetings and get reports. See that each pastor is given a report blank at each fellowship meeting; appoint someone to gather reports and tabulate them.
5. Duties after the campaign:
  - a. See that a final report is sent in from each church as to the results in that church.
  - b. Tabulate these reports and send one report to the state Baptist paper, one to the state department of evangelism, and one to the Home Mission Board department of evangelism.
  - c. Start plans immediately for next campaign.

#### II. SETTING UP THE STEERING COMMITTEE

##### A. Setting the Date

1. This should be done by the association or the Executive Board of the association.
2. This should be done well in advance of the campaign, one year if possible.

##### B. Setting up the Steering Committee

1. The committee should be elected by the association or Executive Board.
2. This should be done as soon as the date for the campaign is set.
3. It is best to appoint a nominating committee to recommend the different chairmen for the steering committee.
  - a. If the association has a chairman for evangelism, he should be elected chairman of the steering committee and should be on the nominating committee.
  - b. The nominating committee should ask the leadership of the Holy Spirit in selecting the respective chairmen.
  - c. This committee should make a study of the duties of the respective chairmen and select the men who are best qualified for the respective committees.
  - d. This committee should not select men to honor the men, but should select men who are best qualified by training and experience for respective committees and the work to be done.

##### C. Personnel of the Steering Committee

1. General Chairman
2. Organizer
3. Chairman of Finance
4. Chairman of Publicity
5. Chairman of Radio
6. Chairman of Fellowship
7. Chairman of Extension
8. Chairman of Census
9. Chairman of Special Rallies
10. Chairman of Prayer

##### D. A Word of Caution

1. Do not think that some of these committees are not necessary and leave them out. You will weaken your campaign just that much.

2. Do not elect any man to more than one chairmanship unless absolutely necessary. Remember a man cannot usually do two things well.

#### III. SECURING THE PROSPECTS

- A. There is only one way this can be done and that is by taking a religious census.

- B. This ought to be done SIMULTANEOUSLY.

- C. THE HOW OF A RELIGIOUS CENSUS.

#### IV. PUBLICITY

##### A. Must Have Definite Aim

1. Just as any other advertising — to attract people, to make them want to attend.
2. Give information to those who will want to attend. Many times our own church members do not know about it.
3. Attract those who are uninterested.
  - a. They are sinners because they like it.
  - b. We must make them realize they are missing something.
  - c. Christ is the Answer.

##### B. Should Be Varied

1. Things that can be read at a glance.
  - a. Street car signs
  - b. Streamers
  - c. Billboards
  - d. Car bumper cards
  - e. Street signs
  - f. Lapel buttons, "Christ Is the Answer," metal button, reverse photo, white letters showing through red ..... 1,000 for \$6.00  
500 for \$3.25  
100 for \$ .75
- g. Window cards or posters, size 14" x 22". This poster is in several colors and is to be used in store windows. It will be necessary to print the date of your revival, the name of the church and its location on the blank space provided for them ..... 100 for \$12.00  
50 for \$ 6.50
- h. Post cards, "Christ Is the Answer." Blank space is provided for the date of the campaign ..... 1,000 for \$ 4.00  
500 for \$ 2.25  
100 for \$ .50
- i. Gummed windshield stickers. Blank space is provided in which the local committee is to print the date for the campaign ..... 1,000 for \$ 4.00  
500 for \$ 2.25  
100 for \$ .50

##### 2. Other types.

- a. Radio
- b. Newspaper
  - (1) Ads
  - (2) Free publicity
  - (3) Write-ups of fellowship meetings, etc.

##### C. How to Accomplish It

1. Put someone in charge who
  - a. Is not indifferent to the importance of advertising.
  - b. Knows publicity.
  - c. Knows how to enlist the newspapers.
  - d. Knows how to enlist the churches.
2. Coordinate the publicity. Plan it so that it will be uniform and will advertise the simultaneous campaign.

#### V. SPECIAL RALLIES

##### A. THIS CAN BE A VERY EFFECTIVE WAY TO PREPARE FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

1. The rallies are not to be primarily prayer meetings, but inspirational meetings.
2. They are to be held during the thirty days preceding the campaign.

##### B. Types of rallies:

1. Men's Rally.
  - a. To be sponsored by the associational Brotherhood.
  - b. Assign each church an attendance goal of five per cent of the resident church membership in men.
  - c. Have a barbecue and sell tickets.
  - d. Program:
    - (1) Good song service.
    - (2) Strong announcements about the campaign — call the names of the churches and the evangelists who are to preach and have a season of prayer for the campaign.
    - (3) Have a "red hot" message on EVANGELISM.
2. Women's Rally.
  - a. Sponsored by associational Woman's Missionary Union.
  - b. Assign goals — five per cent of resident church members in women.
  - c. Program: The same as that for the men's rally.
3. Youth Rally.
  - a. Sponsored by associational Training Union.
  - b. Assign goals — five per cent of resident church membership in Youth.
  - c. Program: The same as that for the other rallies.
4. Music Rally.
  - a. Have this rally on the Sunday afternoon before the campaign starts.
  - b. Assign each church the goal of as many people as there are seats in the choir.
  - c. Program:
    - (1) Have a great song festival.
    - (2) Have a good speaker to speak on, "Music in a Revival." Be sure to emphasize the importance of every church member's being in his place each night during the campaign.

#### VI. THE PRAYER PROGRAM

- A. Organize a uniform prayer program for the campaign.
- B. Have cottage prayer meetings Tuesday and Thursday nights the week preceding the campaign.
- C. Wednesday night — Have an all-church prayer meeting.
- D. Saturday and Saturday night before the campaign starts — Have a twenty-four hour prayer meeting.

—C. E. MATTHEWS



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## Baptists Should Read The Baptist Record

There are more than 6,000,000 Baptists on the rolls of Southern Baptist churches. What an army of Christian workers these church members would make if they were enlisted and developed! The records show, however, that it takes approximately 22 Southern Baptists a whole year to win one person to Christ, while our combined gifts to all Christian causes, local and general, represent an average of only a few cents out of every dollar we earn. Foreign Missions, which takes in all the world outside our own territory, averages 70 cents per member per YEAR.

### THE RECORD SERVES MANY NEEDS

While the denominational paper has always been needed in the homes of our Baptist constituency the need today is greater than ever. Secular papers and magazines, the radio and picture shows, have supplanted the state paper in many homes. Thus adults and young people are without the religious literature essential to developing the highest type of Christian character. It is a well-known fact that a large majority of our preachers, missionaries and even our most useful laymen and women, come from homes where the denominational paper is read. Reading the inspiring articles on spiritual things, editorials on religious topics, news of Baptist work at home and abroad, the heartening stories of missionary victories all over the world, warm the hearts and quicken the zeal of church members and inspire them to greater effort and better living.

Since the cost of the Baptist Record is so little, only 8 1-3 cents per month on the EVERY FAMILY plan, every church can afford to send it to each church family.

### THE RECORD KEEPS BAPTISTS INFORMED

Our daily newspapers have a daily circulation of more than 40,000,000. Our people demand the

latest news from all over the world. Baptists should be just as anxious to know about our Master's business. We should be just as anxious to know about victories over evil as we are to know about the victories of our Alma Mater's football team. We should be just as much concerned about how the number of converts to Christianity as we are to know about the triumphs over Communism.

We must read the denominational paper in order to keep informed concerning the happenings in the kingdom of God at home and abroad. As one editor put it, "We should consult our Baptist papers in making investments for eternity just as we read the secular financial news when seeking wisdom as to when and where to invest in stocks, bonds and real estate."

There just is not any other way by which Baptists can inform themselves on our great missionary, educational, and benevolent enterprises except through the states paper. For instance, we list below from the last issue of the Baptist Record some of the many subjects in one issue of the Baptist Record:

Mississippi College; Radio Speaker; Record Gifts of Southern Baptists; Doctrinal; New State Worker; Missions Conference; The Greatest Story Ever Told; State Missions; A Ten Year Comparison; State Secretary's Pledges; A Ten Year Comparison; State Secretary's Pledge; REA Speaker; News From Many Churches! Pastor Resigns; New Year Resolutions; Lessons From a River; Bible Society Day; Sunday School News; Sunday School and Training Union Attendance; BSU News; New Pastor at .....; Budget Tripled; Law Enforcement Demanded; WMU News; Book Reviews; Brotherhood News; Woman's College Appeal; Training Union News; Church Signs; Temperance News; Calendar of Prayer; Pastor on the Radio; Will-Making Week; List of Moderators; List of Associational Clerks; Preacher Licensed; Revival Meeting Announced; Memorial Poem; New Every Family Churches Listed; Special Committee Reports; Sunday School Lesson; An Allegory; Vocational Emphasis Week Observed; 40 and 25 Years Ago; New Educational Building Dedicated; Associational Missionaries Listed; Many News Items under the head of Sparks and Splinters; New Church to be Dedicated; A Message From SBC President; Pastors' Conference to Meet; Southern Baptist D. P. Work; Pastor Retires; Canadian Comes to Mississippi; Memorial Services Held; Church Makes Progress; Real World Fellowship.

Reading such things as listed above makes informed Baptists

and "Informed Baptists are better Baptists".

### RECORD MAKES GOOD ASSISTANT PASTOR.

Pastors are unanimous in their testimony that the Baptist Record is a good assistant pastor. Certainly this is so. It is so because reading the Record makes the members intelligent, sympathetic and liberal in their response. They know what Baptists are doing throughout the world and why and therefore are eager to have a share.

We shall never have an enlisted membership until we have an informed membership.

With all the above facts before us, every pastor and church should have the Baptist Record going into every home. How can this be done?

LET THE PASTOR TELL THE CHURCH THAT HE DESIRES THE BAPTIST RECORD AS A PART OF THE CHURCH PROGRAM. EXPLAIN THAT THE COST IS ONLY 8 1-3 CENTS PER FAMILY PER MONTH AND THAT PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE MONTHLY WITH NAMES BEING ADDED OR DROPPED AS THE NEED ARISES. LET SOMEONE MOVE THAT THIS BE DONE. THE CLERK WILL THEN SEND THE LIST OF HEADS OF FAMILIES. THE BAPTIST RECORD WILL DO THE REST.

## What Sort Of Parents Are These?

From Charleston, West Va., the public press carries a story that certainly is enough to arouse thoughtful people. We reproduce this Associated Press item:

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 16 —Charleston police said today they had broken up a band of 20 marauding juveniles who described themselves as "Junior Ku Klux Klansmen."

Sergeant Frank Riddle, head of the juvenile bureau, said the masked and robed band was made up of 11 white boys, six Negro boys and three white girls, all ranging in age from nine to 15.

Riddle said they gave him this account of their activities:

Their "raids" included ransacking automobiles, stealing bicycles and beating other children.

They used as weapons heavy blackjacks made from pieces of wood, metal and coat hangers covered with thick plastic tape.

The idea for their gang came from a moving picture depicting the activities of the Ku Klux Klan, they told Riddle.

Riddle said most of the children's parents knew about the organization but "didn't seem to

pay any attention to it."

This is hard to understand. Yet, we have been present when children have done things that were definitely "off color," and their parents seemingly did not even see it. Are parents dumb? Or, are they just selfish? It calls for some real courage for parents to do their duty. But God, Who gave the children to them as a stewardship, we believe, will one day call them before Him and call for an accounting. It might be better to discipline "Junior" when he is small, rather than allow him to grow up into something the law has to discipline. We feel it is justice for God to deal with parents who have selfishly allowed their children to "run wild."

## Satan's Needle

Of all the current tactics used by Satan, we would place at the head of the list, the Christians' supine acceptance of the Devil's program to have the statement, "Times have changed," considered as true. Before deciding that this is far-fetched, think of some recent events you have actually heard yourself.

Some parents, with strong convictions have been weakening in their God-given duties to their "teen age" children in matters of worldliness—because "Times have changed."

Some professors in colleges tagged Christian, have unhappily shrugged away their uneasiness and disappointment at conditions existing in which cheapening of social activities is accepted — because — "Times have changed."

Some young preachers have surrendered their high ideals in the face of what sometimes overwhelming public opinion that God's Ministers need not me any different from the "man of the street" because — "Times have changed."

Some young brides have tacitly agreed for their lovers to "take a social drink," considering such a man no danger as a matrimonial risk, — because "Times have changed."

This attitude is the result of the deadening effect of Satan's Needle—which has been injected into the Christian's life, and lulled to sleep his higher self. May the Lord God awaken us and let us be people of "discernment" to see and realize what is happening!

"Times have changed" — Yes, but God has not. Right is the same. Purity remains as in the days when God made His first human family. The pity is, that it seems that "Times have changed" in that too many Christians, so-called, are namby-pamby when courage and bravery are required!



## 100 Churches Leading in Cooperative Program Gifts, 1948

\*\*Indicate the church increased 1948 Cooperative Program contributions over 1947. \*\*\* Indicate the church came on the list last year.

CHURCH	ASSOCIATION	AMOUNT
** 1. Jackson-First	Hinds	\$43,002.15
** 2. Jackson-Calvary	Hinds	35,350.58
3. Laurel-First	Jones	21,029.15
** 4. Brookhaven-First	Lincoln	19,979.30
** 5. Columbus-First	Columbus	17,913.53
** 6. Vicksburg-First	Warren	15,284.53
** 7. Tupelo-Calvary	Lee	14,431.22
** 8. Grenada-First	Grenada	13,833.68
** 9. Crystal Springs	Copiah	11,968.09
10. McComb-First	Pike	11,491.94
11. Meridian-First	Lauderdale	9,720.16
12. Hattiesburg-Main Street	Lebanon	9,500.02
13. Meridian-15th Avenue	Lauderdale	9,129.20
**14. Greenwood-First	Leflore	9,060.38
**15. New Albany	Union Co.	8,922.17
**16. West Point-First	Clay	8,750.00
**17. Hazlehurst	Copiah	8,666.66
**18. Gulfport-First	Gulf Coast	8,272.16
19. Picayune-First	Pearl River	7,483.88
**20. Meridian-Highland	Lauderdale	6,590.85
21. Clinton	Hinds	6,445.98
**22. Canton-First	Madison	6,332.29
**23. Quitman	Clarke	6,193.00
**24. Belzoni	Deer Creek	5,253.00
25. Louisville-First	Winston	5,110.00

CHURCH	ASSOCIATION	AMOUNT
** 1. Greenville-First	Deer Creek	\$ 5,000.00
** 2. Leland	Deer Creek	4,821.18
3. Hattiesburg-Fifth Avenue	Lebanon	4,800.00
** 4. Collins	Covington	4,350.98
5. Aberdeen-First	Monroe	4,221.12
6. Hattiesburg-First	Lebanon	4,202.14
** 7. Tupelo-Harrisburg	Lee	4,188.24
8. McComb-East	Pike	4,097.59
9. Kosciusko-First	Attala	4,057.49
**10. Laurel-West	Jones	3,931.82
11. Prentiss	Jeff Davis	3,916.23
12. Pontotoc	Pontotoc	3,803.92
13. Corinth-First	Alcorn	3,600.00
**14. McComb-Central	Pike	3,543.25
15. Yazoo City-First	Yazoo	3,515.31
16. Holly Springs	Marshall	3,459.61
**17. Tylertown	Walshall	3,335.86
18. Jackson-Parkway	Hinds	3,257.83
**19. Biloxi-First	Gulf Coast	3,184.01
20. Durant	Holmes	3,149.71
21. Columbia-First	Marion	3,120.72
22. Clarksdale	Riverside	3,030.20
**23. Meridian-41st Avenue	Lauderdale	2,933.81
24. Starkville-First	Oktibbeha Co.	2,880.21
25. Meridian-Poplar Springs	Lauderdale	2,841.96

CHURCH	ASSOCIATION	AMOUNT
1. Pascagoula-First	Jackson	\$ 2,803.00
2. Indianola	Sunflower	2,761.96
** 3. Van Winkle	Hinds	2,748.98
** 4. Meridian-South Side	Lauderdale	2,695.15
** 5. Magee	Simpson	2,663.23
6. Drew	Sunflower	2,653.14
** 7. Ripley	Tippah	2,405.00
8. Jackson-Griffith Memorial	Hinds	2,400.00
** 9. Winona-First	Montgomery	2,397.31
**10. Lowrey Memorial	Tippah	2,375.19
11. Philadelphia	Neshoba	2,324.51
**12. Laurel-Second Avenue	Jones	2,320.30
**13. Water Valley	Yalobusha	2,304.00
**14. Calhoun City-First	Calhoun	2,200.00
**14. Newton	Newton	2,200.00
15. Ellisville	Jones	2,184.26
**16. Amory	Monroe	2,176.08
17. Galilee	Mississippi	2,166.02
**18. Liberty	Mississippi	2,150.00
**19. Sardis	Panola	2,136.35
**20. Lucedale	George	2,130.00
**21. Batesville	Panola	2,123.40
**22. Bunker Hill	Marion	2,101.39
**23. Hollandale	Deer Creek	2,100.02
24. Centreville	Mississippi	2,021.22
25. Natchez-First	Adams-Franklin	2,015.00

CHURCH	ASSOCIATION	AMOUNT
** 1. Baldwin	Prentiss	\$ 2,006.81
2. Booneville	Prentiss	2,005.04
** 3. Flora	Madison	2,000.00

## MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST SEMINARY HONORED

Mississippi Baptists will be happy to know that the Negro Seminary has been honored in attaining the status required by the Veterans' Administration and the State Department of Education to make the institution eligible to qualify for G. I. training, for ministers. This is the only institution in the state of Mississippi where Negro preacher boys can secure their accredited training. The Seminary, under the earnest leadership of President Herbert L. Lang, has been set up to the accelerated program required in the educational realm. This schedule makes it possible for a Negro minister to attend school two calendar years and complete three years' training. People in the Mississippi Baptist churches who are sponsoring this movement for aiding in the development of young Negro students who have dedicated their lives to the preaching of the gospel to their people will rejoice in the growth and success of the project, which is only a few years old. The fact that no other denomination offers this opportunity adds to its vital importance.

Dr. Norman Price, pastor of the Parkway Baptist church in Jackson, is the chairman of the central holding board for the Seminary. Dr. B. B. Dansby, president of Jackson College is the secretary and Mr. E. L. Herring, business manager of the First Baptist church in Jackson, is treasurer.

The Central Center, with headquarters in Jackson, has recently opened an extension class in Yazoo county, attesting its growth and progress. There are centers located at Prentiss, Hattiesburg, Itta Bena, Sardis and Indianola. A total of 450 students are being reached already.

At the recent annual meeting of the Seminary was praised after Dr. D. A. McCall of Mississippi reported on its activities. Dr. J. B. Lawrence of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board stated Home Board workers are watching with much interest this great adventure in racial cooperation, and stated Mississippi's plan is something new.

Numbers of churches, classes, training unions, women's society circles, and individuals have been asking what they can do to help in this challenging task. President Lang asks first of all for prayer. After that, gifts of all, sent to Baptist Building, Box 530, will be used carefully and gratefully.

## PONTOTOC ASSOC. GA'S OBSERVE FOCUS WEEK

Pontotoc County G. A.'s observed Focus Week February 6-12. Miss Delores Weatherall, Pontotoc Associational G. A. leader, distributed program plans for the week, climaxed with a county-wide meeting in the First Church, Pontotoc, on Friday evening.

Mrs. J. W. Young, Young People's leader, and Mrs. W. L. Carpenter, Assoc. W. M. U. Chairman assisted Miss Weatherall in the arrangements.

The theme of the evening was "Hearts," carried out in every phase of the program. Mrs. B. B. McGee taught 36 Intermediates in a missions study called "Receptive Hearts" and Miss Sarah Wright taught 69 Juniors in the study.

Closing the meeting was an inspirational pageant called "Heart of Hearts."

## Swor To Lead Revival Services At Charleston

Dr. Chester Swor will lead in a series of revival services at the Charleston Baptist Church the week of February 28 — March 6.

The theme "Christian Life Week" will be emphasized with recognition of special nights; Monday — Visitors night; Tuesday — Parents night; Wednesday — Leadership night; Thursday — Youth night; and Friday — Family night.

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C. E. MATTHEWS, DALLAS; Dr. James W. Middleton, Atlanta; David Gardner, in Dallas; Ramsey Pollard, Knoxville; and W. D. Wyatt, Muskogee, Oklahoma, will leave Dallas March 11 for a simultaneous revival campaign with Southern Baptist churches in Alaska. The program is sponsored by the Home Mission Board.

** 3. Morton	Scott	2,000.00
** 4. Magnolia-First	Pike	1,950.00
** 5. Salem	Covington	1,940.69
6. Lexington	Holmes	1,923.79
Oxford-First	Lafayette	1,900.00
Houston	Chickasaw	1,800.00
8. Rolling Fork	Deer Creek	1,800.00
** 8. Union-First	Newton	1,800.00
9. Daniel Memorial	Hinds	1,767.40
**10. Mt. Moriah	Lincoln	1,763.77
**11. Friendship	Pike	1,732.46
12. Okolona	Chickasaw	1,704.38
13. Jackson Northside	Hinds	1,660.00
**14. Charleston	Tallahatchie	1,650.00
15. Petal Harvey	Lebanon	1,536.97
**16. Laurel-Beacon	Jones	1,526.73
17. Calvary	Lawrence	1,500.00
**17. Eupora	Zion	1,500.00
**17. Mendenhall	Simpson	1,500.00
17. Moss Point-First	Jackson	1,500.00
18. Terry's Creek	Pike	1,476.76
19. Webb	Tallahatchie	1,475.40
20. Mt. Olive	Covington	1,450.00
21. State Line	Wayne	1,435.00
22. Pascagoula-Calvary	Jackson	1,426.61
**23. Bruce	Calhoun	1,383.25
**24. Clarke Venable Memorial	Newton	1,286.26
**25. Jackson-Davis Memorial	Hinds	1,275.00
**25. Terry	Hinds	1,275.00



## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Amber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson



MISS ALENE JOHNSON

### Meet the Training Union Staff:

This month marks the third anniversary of Miss Alene Johnson as Office Secretary of the Training Union Department. These have been three of the busiest years for the department and Miss Johnson has been the busiest of all the staff. Hundreds of requests for free literature, thousands of requests for study course awards, a growing personal correspondence with training union leaders all over the state in the interest of the work, promotional posters, letters, and cards covering the state in the interest of building more and better unions, along with other routine matters that become the part of every office, have been cheerfully received and all work efficiently done. Miss Johnson is the "Second Mile" Christian, always ready to do more than she is paid to do. Tiptersville, Mississippi is her home address. However, she isn't home much! So write her at Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

In speaking of dollars \$371,826 doesn't sound so big (to some folk!) but when we say that during last year we issued 371,826 study course awards in the Southern Baptist Convention churches that is something! In Mississippi we issued 20,212 which is a shade above the average on a membership bases. This is the highest record we have had both in Mississippi and southwide.

We rejoice with the Trinity Baptist Church, Fulton Miss. in their rapid growth. They are in their new building now and a recent letter from pastor Estes says that Training Union attendance equals that of Sunday school. Recently only two attending Sunday School failed to bring a Bible with them, and that is not usual, a record to inspire. Miss Eunice Sandlin, former director of Parkway Jackson, is the director of Trinity and is an example of our 1949 theme "Found Faithful."

Speaking of awards, Here is a letter in part—"Please overlook this gross error in our not reporting this study course before now. Really it was so long ago I do not know whether we can get the awards now, but if we can we will appreciate your sending them." Now we are just wondering if there are others who have not reported a study course you had some

months ago! If so we will be glad to send the awards if you will send us the list of names. Regular blanks for reporting your study courses are available free from our office. Write for them. A form in duplicate for each class taught.

### Alta Woods, Hinds County Promotes Crusade

We are indebted to Ellis W. Adams, director of the Alta Woods Training Union for a report on their Bible Reading and Prayer Meeting attendance crusade. They are enlisting all departments in the crusade using Open Windows for individual devotions by the members and others they enlist to read with them. The crusade for increasing Prayer Meeting attendance has taken form in the union sponsoring cottage prayer meetings each Friday night, going from sub-division to sub-division. These are marks of a live training union and demonstrates the results of training.

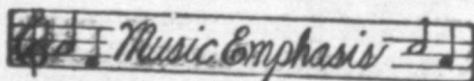
Thinking back a few weeks to our State Training Union Convention we are reviewing the crowd and see that group of 36 that came from Shuqualak. 33 of them came on a chartered bus. The Mens Bible Class paid \$25.00 of the bus expenses and the other \$25.00 came out of the budget. \$50.00 was the cost of the bus and the church felt this was a great investment in the lives of its members. This was probably the largest single church delegation, certainly the largest coming a distance of 150 miles. While in Jackson, pastor Joe Abrams led the group to many points of interest in the capital city, including our Baptist institutions. A great church with a great future.

### Highland in Tishomingo Co. Organizes

Thanks to Miss Ollie Bickerstaff, Training Union Director of the Highland Baptist church in Tishomingo County for a report on the organization of a Training union. Their first step was to have a study course in which the church studied the Training Union methods. Then they requested the leaflets from our office for each of the officers, and copies of the standards to go on the wall. This equipment right after organizing with the study course preceeding it should assure a well established union. We extend congratulations to the church

### Newton Co. Associational Training Union stages Pastor-Director Banquet

Under the planning and direction of Associational Director R. S. McCrory the pastors and directors in Newton enjoyed a delightful fellowship banquet given in the dining hall of Clarke Memorial College Newton Miss. on Monday night January 24th. There were 41 present and Mr. McCrory writes that, "It was a decided success." Congratulations! There will be other associational directors following this idea.



### Ensembles and Hymn Playing

It is time to review the program of Ensemble and Hymn Playing Festivals. For full instructions, write to the

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

By William P. Davis

The Executive Committee of the Mississippi Convention Board met in the prayer room of the Baptist Building Friday, February 11, 1949, at 3:00 p. m. Members present were: President, J. D. Ray; Vice-president, G. O. Parker; Recording Secretary, Fred B. Bookter; Executive Secretary, D. A. McCall; H. H. Aultman Wayne Allston, Fred B. Mosley, E. D. Hurst; F. K. Horton; H. A. Scott; M. D. Morton; and C. W. Thompson. Brethren visiting the committee were: J. B. Parker, E. C. Williams, William P. Davis, Charles Horner, W. E. Greene, and W. L. Holcomb.

Dr. J. D. Ray called the meeting to order by asking Brother E. C. Williams to pray for the meeting and for all phases of Mississippi Baptist work. From the first, a spirit of fellowship and good will prevailed.

Dr. McCall was called upon to speak to the committee. He expressed his joy in the fine spirit which prevails among the Convention Board employees in the Baptist Building. He spoke of the forward look of Mississippi Baptists as indicated by the many reports coming to the Building almost daily—reports by employees of the Board, reports by pastors, laymen, and missionaries. These reports say, "Mississippi Baptists are on the march for the Master." Dr. McCall also informed the committee concerning a meeting of some of the officers of the Convention Board and the Mississippi Baptist Convention held in the office of the Executive Secretary, Friday, February 11, at 10:00 a. m.

One of the highlights of the meeting came when a group of department heads, including E. C. Williams, Charles Horner, J. B. Parker, W. R. Roberts and W. L. Holcomb, each spoke to the committee. They spoke of

Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, and copies of the Music Emphasis Sheet will be sent to you immediately. Many churches have already made requests for the Music Emphasis Sheet. Do not delay because it is time to begin work on the music for the festivals.

Several things should be remembered. First, each church will only have one ensemble, and will choose the type and size ensemble to be used. There will not be an elimination contest. The ensembles will be asked to sing in each festival in regular succession. The first festival will be in each association, and will be held at the same time the other training union contests are held. (Note: If the association does not hold the festival, ensembles and hymn players will be permitted to go directly from the church to the District Convention). The second festival will be held at the District Training Union Conventions in June. All ensembles and hymn players who take part at the District Conventions will be eligible to participate in the State Music Festival which will be held during the State Training Union Convention next December 29 and 30. Second, each ensemble and hymn player will be graded at each festival as to Superior, Excellent, Good, or Fair. This grading should be an incentive for each to make improvement from time to time. Ensembles will be made up of Intermediates and Young People. Hymn Players will be Intermediates and Juniors. Write for your copy of the Music Emphasis Sheet immediately.



Shown above is the attractive sign of the Bassfield church.

the fine spirit prevailing in the Baptist Building and expressed a hope that unity, harmony, and cooperation will prevail in all Mississippi Baptist life. It was the opinion of these brethren, as it is of vast multitudes of Mississippi Baptists, that more fervent prayer, more earnest work, and less talk, should be the order of the day. Each pledged himself to cooperate to this end.

All staff members working directly out of the office of the Executive Secretary were invited into the session. Time was given for the staff members to describe circumstances under, and the spirit in which personnel transfers were made at the December meeting. It was the unanimous expression of the group that each and all transfers were made in the finest sort of Christian spirit.

Dr. McCall read a request from Paul Townsend that a letter be given authorizing him to secure from the auditor a copy of the 1948 audit of the books of the Convention Board. All costs of the copy to be paid by Mr. Townsend. This request was granted. It is the earnest desire of every employee of the Board that the facts of Mississippi Baptists be fully known. That is why the books are open to all the people. There are no secrets. The record of Mississippi Baptists is a story of glorious achievement — a story of how the churches have gone beyond all past attainment. Mississippi Baptists have been on the march for the Master under the wise leadership of Dr. McCall. As an expression of appreciation for the fine work and able leadership of Dr. McCall, the Executive Committee unanimously gave a standing vote of confidence.

Some routine matters were brought before the committee: Dr. McCall recommended that the Board purchase an automobile to be used by William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary. Dr. McCall was authorized to purchase a car. Some out of state trips were granted by the committee as follows: Martin Gilbert — Ridegecrest, June 1-7; Charles Horner — Mississippi Club at Southwestern Seminary; W. R. Roberts — Tharpe lectures at the New Orleans Seminary. Rev. J. B. Parker was granted \$750 to be used in carrying on the work of his department for the rest of this Convention year. The bond for the Assistant Executive Secretary was set at \$15,000.00.

The committee adjourned with prayer by M. D. Morton. Brother Morton prayed for every department of the work and for all the churches. In all the lengthy deliberations, a genuine Christian spirit prevailed. Doxology!



## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary      PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary  
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary



MR. J. P. EDMUNDS

Mr. J. P. Edmunds, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be with us at our Mississippi Sunday School Convention at Columbus, March 8-9, to direct the conferences on Sunday school Administration.

Our administrative officers over the state will certainly want to be there and get the good things awaiting them from Mr. Edmunds, who has served a long time in the South in helping to build bigger and better Sunday schools.

### AND HERE'S THE PROGRAM

We give below the entire program of our Mississippi Sunday School Convention, which meets in the First Baptist Church, Columbus, on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 8-9.

We have always felt that our people deserve the very best in program personnel, and we have tried through many years to give them that. And this year is certainly no exception, as a glance at this splendid and capable group will reveal.

Brother Pastor, Brother Superintendent, help your school by having your officers and teachers at this Convention.

For free overnight lodging, write Reservations Committee, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Miss.

### THEME:

"Spare not, Lengthen, Strengthen"

### TUESDAY MARCH 8

- 9:45 Worship and Praise
- 10:00 In Reading Mrs. O. M. Jones
- 10:15 In Cradle Roll Work Mrs. W. L. Blankenship
- 10:30 In Nursery Work Mrs. Keith C. Von Hagen
- 10:45 In Beginner Work Mrs. C. F. Barry
- 11:00 Music
- 11:05 In Primary Work Miss Allene Bryan
- 11:20 In Junior Work Mrs. Lillian Rice
- 11:35 In Church Buildings W. A. Harrell
- 12:05 Adjourn
- 1:30 Worship and Praise
- 1:45 In Administration J. P. Edmunds
- 2:30 Presenting Conference Leaders
- 2:40 Department Conferences
- 4:15 Adjourn
- 6:45 Department Conferences
- 7:45 General Assembly
- Worship and Praise
- 7:55 In Vacation Bible Schools Homer L. Grice

- 8:30 Music
- 8:35 Message Dr. Clifton J. Allen
- 9:10 Adjourn
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9
- 9:30 Department Conferences
- 10:45 General Assembly
- Worship and Praise
- 11:00 In Intermediate Work Miss Mary Virginia Lee
- 11:15 In Young People's Work Philip B. Harris
- 11:30 In Adult Work Wm. P. Phillips
- 12:00 Adjourn
- 1:30 Worship and Praise
- 1:40 In Extension Work Paul D. Boothe
- 1:55 In Vacation Bible Schools Homer L. Grice
- 2:30 In Administration J. P. Edmunds
- 3:10 Department Conferences
- 4:20 Adjourn
- 7:00 Department Conferences
- 8:00 General Assembly
- Worship and Praise
- 8:15 Arrangements
- 8:25 Message Dr. T. L. Holcomb
- 9:00 Final Adjournment

### CONFERENCE LEADERS

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- Nursery Mrs. Keith C. Von Hagen
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THE TILLATOBA CHURCH HAD 18 enrolled January 24-28 in the Study of John which was taught by Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, Panola-Yalobusha Association Missionary.

## 40 & 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.  
40 YEARS AGO

Pastor W. R. Cooper of the Itta Bena church tells of the past year's work with nine baptised and "several by letter," and indebtedness on the church house paid off and a pastor's home purchased, \$52.80 contributed to Foreign Missions which was more than 100 per cent over the previous year.

The Immanuel church of Meridian (now Forty First Avenue) on the previous Sunday dedicated their new house of worship with all the other Baptist churches of the city co-operating. The membership of fifty-one persons whose contributions averaged \$23.48 annually per capita had built the church house unassisted.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Auber J. Wilds of the B. Y. P. U. Department calls to mind the report of the Picayune Baptist church having elected 17 "Deaconesses," and he appeals to the B. Y. P. U.'s of the state to train the girls and young women "that they might serve in this field acceptably."

The Baptist church at Yazoo City plans to erect an educational building on a lot adjoining the present property. One hundred new members were added the previous year and the "outlook is most encouraging."

Pastor Otho A. Eure of Como has been appointed a chaplain in the Navy to begin at once.

## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Box 530 — Phone 2-1600 — Jackson  
CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary      BETTY PRESSON, Office Secretary

### POTPOURRI

Agassiz was recognized as one of the most profound scholars of his age while yet in his twenties. . . Word comes that Arkansas BSUs hope to send out five summer missionaries this year. . . Two Woman's College girls hope to do Home Mission Board mission work this summer. . . Appreciated a recent note from Kat Jewell, last year's Blue Mt. BSU prexy and now Bob Denny's secretary in Nashville. . . Betty Hubbard, Student Secretary at Jones Jr., reports that 26 dedicated their vocations to Christ during their recent Vocation Emphasis Week. . . Dr. Frank Leavell has recently sent us a list of 17 German students who desire American correspondents. You don't need to know German. If you want a name and address, let us know. On the list is one student studying education, one studying natural sciences, two law students, two engineering students, one math student, two medical students, one veterinary student, one studying education for the blind, one technical student, one philosophy student.

The Baptist Student Union, in its broadcast meaning, is a recruiting agency and training activity for the local churches, for the statewide work, for the south-wide boards and agencies of Southern Baptists, and for the Baptist denomination and the Christian world at large. . . One of the functions of the BSU is to be unifier of organizations, not a multiplier. —Ira Prosser. . . Next month, on most of our Miss. campuses, election of BSU officers for 49-50 will take place. Prayer should permeate the selection and election of all. . . The Sioux Indians had a prayer: "Great Spirit, help me never to judge another until I have walked two weeks in his moccasins." . . Almost a third of the Baptists at Southwest Jr. tithe, two joined the Summit church recently, 13 unsaved are reported. . . Not until we love all races, all so-called nationalities, as Christ loved them, are we on the road to peace on earth. —Sir Wilfred Grenfell. . . About 50 students attend a social, 27 are reported unsaved

from Pearl River Jr. . . The test of courage comes when we are in the minority; the test of tolerance comes when we are in the majority. — Ralph W. Sockman. . . 584 tithe, 412 are members of the Clinton church, \$598.75 was given from Miss. College students last month. Also, 14 unsaved, 18 joining the church, 100 participating in the mission work, 125 average attendance at daily prayer meeting, and a weekend Youth Revival in which three from MC participated were reported. . . Gossip always seems to travel faster over the sour grape vine.—Copied. . . Recently received good letter from Orba Lee Malone, former MC BSU Sec'y, now an El Paso, Texas, lawyer. "We certainly do miss Mississippi," he writes. . . Revenge is like a boomerang which is liable to come back and hit the pate of the one who threw it, or like an old-fashioned muzzle-loading musket whose kickback was so great as to knock the firer down. Revenge, at best, is only a kind of wild justice.—Sentinel. . . Bill Dossett, a student; Dean Farrar, Pastor Charles Treadway, Dr. R. G. Lee, and Dr. E. D. Elliott, have recently spoken to the Delta State students. Jo Barnette is the new Mag. Rep. of the BSU Council. . . "We know of at least a half dozen Youth Revival being planned. Volunteers for this work and pastors who want workers are requested to write us anytime. . . "Maximum Christianity" is the theme of Clarke College's Focus Week, Mar. 20-25. . . MSCW has 520 volumes in its BSU library. . . Have you contributed and has your BSU yet started your campaign to help send our three Summer Missionaries this coming summer? We need \$1500 to send a student each to Hawaii, San Andres Island, and Alaska. Deadline for volunteers for this work is April 1; deadline for the needed \$1500 is May 1. Please pray for and promote this campaign. . . Remember Retreat Apr. 22-23, Jackson. . . We know of a recent Miss. College grad who interested in doing educational or musical work in a church. Pastors may write. . . Convention date: Oct. 28-30, place not yet known. . . 225 is Miss. quota for Student Week, Ridgecrest. . . If interested in getting in a party for Stockholm write R. Alton Reed, 6826 Lorna Lane, Dallas, Texas. . .

### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- February 27—Miss Nora Lee Ray, Blue Mountain College faculty; Dr. S. R. Woodson, Convention Board member, Columbus Association.
- February 28—D. D. Kennedy, President, Lincoln County Association Brotherhood; Home Mission Season of Prayer.
- March 1—Horace Headrick, Laurel, Clarke College trustee; Leland Speed, Jackson, Baptist Foundation trustee.
- March 2—Rev. John W. Cooke, BSU Pastor Advisor, East Central Junior College; Mrs. Ruth Sutton, House Mother, Baptist Orphanage.
- March 3—T. A. Waits, Sunday School Superintendent, Calhoun Association; Rev. E. C. Horton, President, District 4 Training President.
- March 4—Rev. Vernon May, Mt. Olive, Baptist Hospital trustee; Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Chairman, WMU III District.
- March 5—A. A. Roebuck, Aberdeen, Education Commission; Dr. A. Kitchings Clinton, Board of Ministerial Education.

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF Religious Education, meeting in Columbus, heard that the number of pupils attending Protestant parochial schools increased 46 per cent between 1937 and 1947.

### IDA CARNES BURRELL

Whereas God in his wisdom on January 16th 1949 called home our faithful friend and fellow worker of our Woman's Missionary Society, Ida Carnes Burrell.

Therefore be it resolved that we express our gratitude to our heavenly father for her christian life that she lived in our midst. Her love and devotion to her family, friends and her church and her gentle sunny disposition made her and inspiration to all who knew her. While teaching her Sunday School Class she sweetly slipped into the arms of her savior.

It is with sorrow that we part with our loving "Miss Ida."

Be it further resolved that we express to her family our deepest sympathy and that we commend to them the comfort of the holy Spirit and only be drawn closer to him in love.

Be it further resolved; that a copy of these resolutions be given the family, a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Woman's Missionary Society and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record for publication.

Lovingly Submitted  
MRS. L. D. KUYKENDALL  
MRS. LURA EUBANKS  
MRS. CLAYTON HUGHES



## -- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

A committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws was appointed following the Convention last April. In compliance with the Constitution they are submitting their report in writing through the pages of the Baptist Record. The committee was composed of Mrs. Webb Brame, Mrs. Ned Rice and Mrs. J. H. Street, all past presidents of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union. The report of this committee will be presented to the Convention March 29-31 for consideration and vote. It is the hope of this committee that each member will study these suggested changes and make suggestions as to other changes or re-wording.

### SUGGESTED CHANGES IN CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS of

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

#### Preamble

We, the women of the Baptist churches of Mississippi, desirous of stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches do hereby organize and adopt the following Constitution.

#### Article I Name

Remains the same

#### Article II Object

The object of this organization shall be to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention along all missionary, benevolent and educational lines. First, by enlisting the women and young people in the study of missions, by dissemination of missionary literature, and by developing the missionary spirit and the grace of giving. Second, by organizing the B. W. M. U. in churches.

#### Article III Officers

Section 1—Insert B. W. C. CHAIRMAN following Young People's Secretary. Section 2—Election: All officers with the exception of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Young People's Secretary, B. W. C. Chairman, Training School Trustee and Margaret Fund Chairman shall be nominated (as hereinafter provided) on the second day of the annual meeting; election shall be by voice except in case of more than one nominee when election shall be by ballot. The Executive Secretary-Treasurer and Young People's Secretary shall be nominated by the W. M. U. Executive Board and elected by the State Convention Board. The B. W. C. Chairman shall be nominated by the State B. W. C. Federation and elected by the W. M. U. Convention. The Training School Trustee and Margaret Fund Chairman shall be nominated by the Executive Board of the W. M. U. for election by W. M. U. Auxiliary S. B. C.

#### Article IV Time of Meeting

No change

#### Article V Representative

No change

#### Article VI Conduct of Meetings

No change

#### Article VII Duties of Officers

Delete and VIII becomes VII

#### BY-LAWS

#### Article I President

No change

#### Article II—Vice - President

No change

#### Article III District Chairmen

The state shall be divided into eight districts, to be known as First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Districts. A Chairman shall be elected from each district, who shall have general oversight of the associations of that district and through the Associational superintendents promote the work of the Union, reporting to the Executive Board.

#### Article IV—Executive Secretary-Treasurer

First — The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be the executive head of the office and shall have general supervision of and make plans for the progress of the Women's Missionary Union Work in the state, carrying out the plans determined upon by the Woman's Missionary Union or its Executive Board.

Second — No change

Third—As Editor, she shall edit the B. W. M. U. column in the Baptist Record.

#### Article V Recording Secretary

No change

#### Article VI Young People's Secretary

The Young People's Secretary shall supervise the work of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, Girl's Auxiliary, Royal Ambassador Chapters and Sunbeam Bands; shall distribute literature, shall organize auxiliaries, chapters and bands, and shall visit those sections of the State where the work demands and the Executive Board deems necessary. She shall ask for full reports from all organizations and from these reports shall collate annual reports.

#### Article VII Executive Board

Section 1—Insert B. W. C. CHAIRMAN following Young People's Secretary.

#### Article VIII—Executive Committee

The Executive Board shall elect seven members from its own body who with the President, Executive Secretary-Treasurer and Young People's Secretary shall constitute the Executive Committee. This Committee shall meet at the call of the President, who shall be Chairman. It shall be the duty of this Committee to transact all business pertaining to the B. W. M. U. between the regular meetings of the Executive Board. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

#### Article IX Associational

##### Superintendents

Delete this article

#### Article X Nominating Committee (becomes Article IX)

The first part remains the same.

It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee:

To nominate president, vice-president, eight district chairmen, (one from each of the eight districts). Recording Secretary Community Missions Chairman, Mission Study Chairman, eight district young people's counselors (one from each of the eight districts), and Stewardship Chairman and state vice-president of Southern W. M. U., the last named to be elected at the annual meeting as provided for in the By-Laws of the Southern W. M. U. The Committee shall also present the name of the State Chairman of B. W. C. nominated by the State B. W. C. Federation.

#### Article XI Delegates (becomes Article X)



In the original photograph from which this picture was made you can see the smiles of gratitude and bursts of laughter on the faces of the volunteer workers as they unload Southern Baptist relief supplies in Germany. The bales are each marked, "A gift for relief in the name of Christ." Distribution is made in the barracks used on Sundays as a Baptist church and is under the supervision of the Bruderhilfe, Baptist relief organization in Germany. At the central location, the bales are opened and the contents catalogued. Word is then sent to nearby Baptist churches to come for their share of the goods. Help can be given only to the most needy cases. "The work that we have been doing has not been hidden. Many peoples have asked, 'What are they doing there?' and out of this question a conversation often develops during which we can speak of the love of Christ. The occasion for these conversations you have given us through your testimony," reports a Bruderhilfe worker to the Southern Baptist Relief Center, 601 South Olympia Street, New Orleans, La.

## — BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

### Associational Brotherhood Rallies Announced

The first quarter's Associational Brotherhood Rallies will be held in March with one or two exceptions. We had our largest attendance in 1948 in the March meetings. We have every reason to believe that the attendance at the meetings this year will be even larger than last. We have information as to the meeting dates and places of meeting of the following Associations:

- March 7 — Jackson County Association — First Church, Moss Point.
- March 8 — Jones County Association — Bethlehem Church.
- March 8 — Simpson County Association — Siloam Church.
- March 8 — Lebanon Association — Fifth Avenue Church.
- March 10 — Jeff Davis County Association — Phalti Church.
- March 10 — Gulf Coast Association — Handsboro church.
- March 11 — Pike County Association — Fernwood Church.
- March 14 — Leflore County Association — Money Church.
- March 14 — Hinds-Warren Association — Calvary Church.
- March 15 — Lauderdale County Association — Fifteenth Avenue Church.
- March 17 — Newton County Association — Conehatta Church.
- March 17 — George County Association — Lucedale Church.
- March 21 — Walthall County Association — Centreville Church.
- March 22 — Marion County Association — Foxworth Church.
- March 22 — Lincoln County Association — Macedonia Church.
- April 19 — Deer Creek Association

Delegates to the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union shall be selected from the list of those sending their names to State W. M. U. Headquarters office not later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting. The selections shall be based on an equitable distribution according to districts.

### Article XII Reports

Delete

### Article XIII Amendments

This article becomes Article XI.

### — Hollandale Church.

Rankin, Pearl River, Leake, Tippah, and Madison Associations will meet, but we do not have definite information about their dates and meeting places.

### New Pamphlet Ready for Distribution

The Brotherhood Department has had printed and is distributing a new pamphlet entitled, "Baptist Brotherhood Committees and Practical Suggestions." This should prove to be one of the most practical pamphlets that we have put out. The material was compiled by Mr. R. J. Koonce, Superintendent of City Schools of Greenville, Mississippi. The Brotherhood Department will be glad to send to anyone a supply of these pamphlets upon request.

### Report Brotherhood Activities

The Brotherhood Department would greatly appreciate receiving information on the activities that are being carried out in the various Brotherhoods of the state. Please write us what you are doing so that we can tell others. We have in mind preparing a pamphlet this year with a write-up on thirty or forty activities that are actually being carried out in the various churches of our state. We should like to have pictures to accompany these write-ups if at all possible.

The printers failed to make a correction in last week's proof. The dates for the second week's District Brotherhood Conferences this fall are as follows:

Monday, November 7 — District Two  
Tuesday, November 8 — District Three.

Thursday, November 10 — District Four.

Friday, November 11 — District Five.

Mr. L. H. Tapscott is to be the principal speaker on Brotherhood work in these conferences.

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WHATEVER OUR MATERIAL DEVELOPMENT may be, the real heart of America is a spiritual ideal of liberty, faith, justice, and brotherhood. This heart of America must be safeguarded in the stability of her homes. . . Margaret Culpepper Clark in *The Baptist Student*.



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## DR. LEE ANSWERS OPEN LETTER FROM MOFFATT

By Robert G. Lee, D. D.  
President, Southern Baptist Convention

Prayerfully interested have I been in Dr. Fred Moffatt's open letter addressed to me and the Committee on Order of business asking that we set aside one day of the Convention for prayer and testimony.

Knowing Dr. Moffatt's consecrated life, we share his desire that our Baptist hosts be possessed of heavenly power and spiritual passion to the end that all the earth shall hear the Gospel preached.

And in January last—before I received Dr. Moffatt's open letter—I had written Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, Chairman of the Committee on Order of Business, and each member of the committee, suggesting that we call for observance of a day of prayer in all the churches of our Southland—probably in April—before the meeting of our Southern Baptist Convention. The calling all our people to repentance and prayer in all of our churches and seminaries and educational institutions was our purpose. According to the Constitution and by-laws the president and the Committee on Order of Business have not the authority to set aside such a day. And certainly we disparage not Dr. Moffatt's article—knowing full well that he wrote this open letter with the gracious purpose to glorify God, and believing as he wrote that he was led of God. If the Convention votes to set aside a while day for prayer and testimony, it can do so.

Today men and women are bewildered and distracted by the problems and difficulties of life. What we need is what God can do. What God can do will be done for us when God's people pray. Only through prayer can we have the spirit to co-operate in a world-wide program—and deepen our own spirituality.

It is the conviction of all who have prayed the faithfulness of God that nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that which lies outside the will of God.

We all know that, as I said in my call to prayer for October 27, 1948, prayer should be the portion, pastime, and passion of Southern Baptists.

But, after much thought, I offer this plan for calling our people to repentance and prayer—instead of Dr. Moffatt's proposal as expressed in his OPEN LETTER:

I - That we ask our churches to set aside a day for repentance and prayer in April—stressing the importance and necessity of such in view of the needs and miseries of the world. If all our pastors and their people would do this before the Convention, we would have millions praying instead of the few thousand who attend the Convention. Then we have the expectancy that we should begin, continue, and end our Convention in the power of the Holy Spirit.

II - Humbly confessing our sins, wisely recognizing that what we need most is what God can do for us—through us, let us have prayer assemblies in the Convention hall, before the opening hours of the Convention sessions. Many could thus gather for prayer.

III - Could we not have many who could and would remain after each session for a season of prayer?

IV - Let us have small group prayer meetings in the hotels after the night sessions—where men and women will intercede with God for all the causes and all the people for whom we should pray.

V - I would suggest that in journeying to the Convention that there be prayer meetings held on the trains and planes enroute to Oklahoma City—such as our Baptist Students have and hold travelling

## Hazlehurst Welcomes Pastor With Pounding, Reception

Rev. Rowe C. Holcomb arrived in Hazlehurst February 16 to begin his work as pastor of the Hazlehurst Church.

The Holcomb family was welcomed with a pantry shower, the groceries having been placed in the pastorium pantry before their arrival.

A church reception in honor of Rev. Holcomb, Mrs. Holcomb, and daughter, Mary Gay, was given in the church parlor Friday, February 18.

The auditorium of the church was filled at both worship services Sunday, and there were five additions to the church.

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## Finds Record in Caribbean

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Director, Chaplains Commission of the Home Mission Board, who recently returned from a tour of the Caribbean with the Air Force, going through Puerto Rico, the Antilles, South America and Panama, states that he found the Baptist Record in many places. He said:

"On more than one occasion I found the Baptist Record in reading rooms and officers' clubs out in these forward areas. Well do I remember the prominent place given the periodical at Waller Air Force Base on the island of Trinidad. We have no Baptist chaplain there at this time. Nevertheless, your paper is put to good use.

I wish that more of our state papers and general denominational publications were available to the men in these lonely, desolate spots. No matter how small the outfit may be, you will find Baptists well represented in number. Our Baptist men out there are doing good missionary work. Especially is this true of our chaplains and their wives.)

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WE TALK RATHER GLIBLY ABOUT witnessing for Jesus. It is important that we catch the approach of Jesus to that subject; he had something to say about qualifying to witness. Note that Jesus did not say that they should graduate from college and seminary, and should give evidence of man-approved scholarship. Any one of you who knows me knows that I believe strongly in education—but education of the right sort for spiritual leadership. . . John L. Hill in *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

to Ridgecrest and other assemblies. And—for all those who come in cars—why not pause occasionally for a prayer in the car on the side of the road or as stops are made at gas stations? And, since it takes only one to drive a car, let those who are not driving hold occasional prayer sessions in the car.

No one is more anxious to do the best thing in all this than am I and the Committee on Order of Business. It is high time that we "search and try our ways and turn again to the Lord"—as Jeremiah says.

But shall we wait for our Convention in Oklahoma City to do this? Would it not be wiser to seek to get our people to repent before the Convention? We would have millions praying and giving testimony and humbling themselves under the mighty hand of God and over our land rather than just several thousand doing so in Oklahoma City. This would indeed be great preparation for our Convention. Prayerfully and with no presumptuous step of a know-it-all, do I write this.

Recently Dr. Moffatt wrote me: "I am not really concerned about the way in which this may be accomplished, but I am hoping and praying a day of prayer will become a reality." This is what I, and others wanted when, last October, I tried to call all our churches—through our denominational press—to a day of prayer. I shall do this again. Until then—and ever—let us remember that prayer and power are cause and effect.

## A CHANCE FOR YOU TO HELP

By John Caylor

Because more than one-third of the income of the Home Mission Board comes through the Annie W. Armstrong offering, and because the Board has been cut in its receipts from the Cooperative Program, this year's March Week of Prayer offering is especially vital to the ongoing of the work of home missions.

The Annie W. Armstrong offering presents to Southern Baptists an opportunity to give to a fund which is used solely for mission work. Every penny given through this offering goes to mission work, none is kept out for operating expenses or any other purposes.

The work of the Home Mission Board grows constantly. The newest mission field is in Alaska, that great land of opportunity, where only five tiny Southern Baptist churches and mission stations are now struggling for a foothold. Those who would like to have a part in preaching the gospel to neglected and unreached people in the United States, Cuba, Panama, Costa Rica, and Alaska may do so through the Annie W. Armstrong offering.

L. A. BROWN GIVEN  
DIRECT MISSION POST



DR. L. A. BROWN

Dr. L. A. Brown of Los Angeles, California, has been elected field worker in the direct mission department of the Home Mission Board.

He will be assisting Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary, who is assuming temporary charge of the department until a suitable person can be secured to replace Dr. Alfred Carpenter, who has been made director of the Chaplains Commission for the Southern Baptist Convention. Secretary Redford had charge of this department prior to the time Dr. Carpenter became its leader.

Since 1946 Dr. Brown has been serving the Home Mission Board as field worker among the language groups in the Western states. In his new duties, which he will assume March 1, he will make surveys, help in the opening of new mission fields. Check on building projects, and interview prospective missionaries.

Dr. Brown, who speaks four languages—English, Spanish, German, and French—is especially suited to this task. He has been a pastor since the age of seventeen and has been successful in his work among the language groups in the West.

He is a graduate of Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Missouri; Central Missouri State Teachers College, Warrensburg, Missouri; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky; and Webster University where he earned his Ph. D. degree.

## MATTHEWS LEADS EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN ALASKA

Five outstanding Southern Baptist preachers will leave Dallas, Texas, by plane on March 11 for Alaska, where they will conduct simultaneous revival services in each of the Southern Baptist churches there.

This tour is under the direction of Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board, who will preach at the First Baptist Church, Anchorage. Others making the trip are Dr. James W. Middleton, Atlanta, Georgia, to preach at Ketchikan; Dr. David Gardner editor, *The Baptist Standard*, Dallas, Texas, to preach at the First Baptist Church, Juneau; Dr. Ramsey Pollard, Broadway Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, to preach at Fairbanks; and Dr. W. D. Wyatt, First Baptist Church, Muskogee, Oklahoma, to preach at the Second Baptist Church, Anchorage.

It is the purpose of this preaching mission not only to win converts to the Lord Jesus Christ, but to strengthen the churches in Alaska, and to help in the establishment of the work of the Home Mission Board as it opens mission activities in that great land of mission opportunities.

ALMA MATER HONORS  
LEWIS W. MARTIN



DR. LEWIS MARTIN

Lewis W. Martin, secretary, Schools of Missions, Home Mission Board, was recently honored by his alma mater, Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky, with the degree of doctor of divinity. The degree was conferred January 28 in connection with ceremonies celebrating the dedication of the John L. Hill Chapel recently erected on the campus.

Dr. Martin, who received his A. B. from Georgetown College and his Th. M. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, has been employed by the Home Mission Board since 1934. For nine years he served as missionary-evangelist in the Kentucky mountains. Since 1943 he has been in charge of promoting Schools of Missions for the Board.

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See that your pastor gets to the Evangelistic Conference, Columbus, next week. Many people in Columbus Association, Monroe Association, Clay Association, Oktibbeha County Association, and Neshoba Association, should drive in daily for all the services. They start each morning at 9:30 o'clock and close at 9:00 at night, Tuesday through Friday, March 1-4, First Baptist Church.

DR. ALLEN S. CUTTS HAS BEEN named president of Norman College in Georgia.



## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell  
Lesson for February 27

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE KINGDOM, Matthew 5-7. Text: The Beatitudes, Matthew 5:1-12.

### I. Time, Place, Circumstances of the Proclamation of the Constitution

The time is thought to have been the early summer of A. D. 27. It was at such a season as that people would be comfortable in an outdoors meeting. The place was doubtless a grassgrown mountain slope, but which, no one positively knows. Some people think it was in Galilee and others say, in Judea. There seems to be strong reasons for rejecting the idea that it was on the Mount of Olives.

Every day we hear somewhat of "social security." All men clamor for it. They want to feel that they have protection from possible want. Then we talk about national security, the need for a large air force, a standing army and a great navy to assure us that (if we are attacked by an enemy power, we shall be able to defend ourselves, defeat the attackers and retain our security. In this lesson we have the secret of what might be called character security—how to build a life which, though storms may beat upon it and adverse circumstances arise, it will yet remain intact, solid, indissoluble.

The people who gathered themselves to Jesus on the mountain slope where this discourse took place, had the same problems that vex you and me. They wanted assurance of security, and our Lord saw their need of it and offered them the best that God can do to give them what they needed.

### II. Posture of the King and His Court

When the multitudes had gathered about or before Him, He sat down. It is likely, I think, that they all sat with Him, though they may have remained standing. He sat as Kings are wont to do, and as teachers of His day always did. And there in the bright sunlight of a brisk spring day, He opened His mouth and taught them. And what He began by teaching them is known to us as the Beatitudes, a word made out of the Latin word which Jerome used in the place of our English word Blessed, which is about equal to our word Happy.

### III. Characteristics of the Happy

Blessed, Happy are the poor in spirit. Those who are conscious of their spiritual need, aware of their dependence upon God; the publican in contrast with the Pharisee in our Lord's parable. Theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Of course He does not mean that they own the Kingdom of Heaven in fee simple, so they may place a mortgage on it or arrogate to themselves the fruitage of the tree of life, and close its gates against the ingress of any whom they chose to deny a home within it. But it does mean that they belong to the Kingdom, are subjects of it, it is theirs in the same sense that you might say, "Mississippi is my state."

Blessed, Happy are those who mourn. Those who are penitent for sin, sorry when they do the wrong, because they realize they thereby wrong God, first of all, and then whoever else they may wrong, and last of all, but by no means least, themselves.

Blessed, Happy the meek. Old Wycliff translates, "Blessed the mild men." They who have gained self-control. "The poise of one at peace with God." Of this class, our Lord Jesus Himself is the perfect example. "I am meek and lowly in heart", He says of Himself. He was silent under reproach, when He was reviled. He reviled not again, on the cross He prayed for His murderers. Yet this meek man attacked wrongdoers with righteous anger. Under such conditions he became "The terrible meek" as has been said

## TO PLAY LEADING ROLE



MISS JESSIE JEFFERS

Shown above is Miss Jessie Jeanne Jeffers Tyler, Tex., a sophomore at Blue Mountain College who will play the leading role of "Sylvia, Princess of Zilania" in Victor Herbert's Sweethearts, the Blue Mountain College operetta for 1949 which opens at the College Feb. 25, later going on tour. The operetta will be presented in the municipal auditorium at Tyler, Tex., Mar. 3.

Miss Jeffers is the adopted daughter of the Rotary Club of Tyler, Tex., and was chosen duchess of the Texas Festival of Roses last year, to preside over the festival.

Miss Jeffers is the daughter of Mrs. Jessie E. Jeffers, young people's worker and Baptist Training Union director of the First Baptist Church of Tyler, Tex., Rev. Porter M. Balles, pastor.

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ANTIOCH CHURCH, LAWRENCE County, has supported full-time work since January 1. Pastor Eldon Pevey and his family are now living on the field. The EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record has been incorporated into the church budget.

of Him. He is the lamb of God and yet I think it is dear old John who speaks of the wrath of the Lamb.

Blessed, Happy they who hunger and thirst after righteousness. They have a deep craving for the good life. "As the heart panteth for the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God." "They shall be satisfied."

Blessed, Happy the merciful. They who treat the unfortunate or guilty with benevolence. They shall obtain mercy, may be not from men, but always from God.

Blessed, Happy the pure in heart, for they shall be seeing God. To the Hebrew people the heart was the seat of the thought and the will. The pure heart includes integrity of thought, honesty of purpose. They shall abide in the secret place of the Most High, here and now.

Blessed, Happy the peace makers. Old William Tyndale calls them. "The maintainers of peace." They actively work to promote peace.

Blessed, Happy the persecuted for righteousness' sake. Augustine said, "It is the cause, not the pain that makes the martyr." Not alone that one suffers persecution, but that he suffers it for the sake of righteousness. While being led to Rome to be thrown to the lions, Ignatius wrote, "Now I am beginning to be a disciple. . . now I am the fine flour, ground for the teeth of the wild beasts, to be the bread of God."

Blessed, Happy are ye when men shall reproach you and persecute you and say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. "Rejoice ye and be exceeding glad." Be sure that the evil spoken against you shall be falsely. In that case you may rejoice and be glad in the Lord who Himself will understand.

## Southern Baptist Foreign Missions

M. THERON RANKIN,  
Executive Secretary

FRANK K. MEANS,  
Secretary Education and Promotion

### Baptist Mission Work in China

#### To Continue Under Any New Regime

"If the time comes when we have no missionaries on the field in China, it will be because the door has been absolutely shut and missionaries have been thrust out," Secretary Baker J. Cauthen stated in his report read at the February meeting of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond.

He supplemented this statement of policy regarding missionary activity during the trying situation in China by saying: "We do not know what opportunities for missionary work will be found under a new regime. The time could come when missionaries would find it impossible to function and would be forced to leave. We do not believe that time is immediately ahead of us. We pray it may never come."

"As long as missionaries can maintain freedom and life and their presence be an asset rather than a liability to the work they serve, they will be willing to carry on under whatever regime comes in power."

Units of both the American Navy and the British fleet are standing by in Shanghai and Tsingtao to prevent any disorder threatening American and British life, Dr. Cauthen stated.

When present emergencies began on November 1 Southern Baptists had 162 missionaries with 57 children in China. Now there are 106 missionaries with 22 children in China, most of them in Shanghai and the southern area. Twenty-four of the China missionaries and their children are at Bagulo in the Philippines where a language school has been set up for those who had not finished language study in China. Two missionaries have returned to Honolulu to serve and thirty have returned to the United States.

### Missionary Risks Life To Pick Up Wounded

Missionary Elizabeth Lee drove through the plains around Beisan with only the fog lights on her car to pick out the dangerous broken bits indicating land mines in the road. It was the middle of the night. Hers was an errand of mercy — to pick up wounded refugees after the Arab-Jewish battle for the village.

When Nazareth was headquarters of Kawakji and his Arab army, Nurse Lee was called upon at any and all hours to go out after the wounded and bring them to the hospital. When she was commanded to pick up the wounded around Beisan she demanded a police escort—to protect the car, not herself. It had been stolen a few weeks before.

She drove out of Nazareth with an armored police car preceding her. But when they reached the Plain, the police car pulled to the side of the road and stopped.

"From here on the road is heavily mined," the police told her. "You go ahead. We will follow you."

Any broken bit in the road would probably be a land mine, they warned her. So she crept along with her police escort behind her until she found her wounded refugees and brought them safely back to the Nazareth hospital.

Later the Arabs surrendered Nazareth to the Jews. It is now a part of the new Jewish state of Israel and

the Jews have set up a military government. For a time the missionaries thought they might have to move the George W. Truett orphanage from Nazareth to some place in Lebanon in order to continue their work with the Arabic people. But now it seems evident that, although in the Jewish state, Galilee will be an Arab section with Nazareth as the principal city. The missionaries are remaining at least for awhile to see what course events may take.

The governor of the district of Galilee is interested in the orphanage. When, at the beginning of the year, the kindergarten lacked desks and benches for the children, he arranged for fifty-six double desks to be brought in for the use of the school.

### More Mission Volunteers Needed

Secretaries Samuel E. Maddox and Edna Frances Dawkins of the Department of Missionary Personnel have visited each of the three Southern Baptist seminaries since the first of the year.

They expressed their appreciation of the earnest missionary emphasis evident in each of the schools and the number of missionary volunteers they found there. However, in spite of the increasing list of prospective missionaries, the number is still not great enough to meet the demand. Evacuation of missionaries from some sections of China relieves the need for spring appointments for that area, but many more appointments than are in prospect are needed for Japan, Africa and Latin America.

Mr. Maddox stresses the demand for good missionary preachers. Teachers, doctors and nurses are also urgently needed.

## MISSIONARY MARRIES



ETHEL SINGLETON

At its February meeting the Foreign Mission Board accepted the resignation of Missionary Ethel Singleton, effective on February 14, the date of her marriage to Mr. Cornelio Gatica at the Second Baptist Church, Santiago, Chile.

She has served in Chile for seven years and although Southern Baptists officially lose a missionary by her marriage, she will continue her service unofficially. She writes that she will always be a missionary at heart. She and her husband will both serve in the seminary at Santiago, he as dean of men. She will continue to work with G. A.'s and R. A.'s.

Mr. Gatica, a lawyer, is an active member of one of the Baptist churches in Santiago.



## GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

### SOUTHERN BAPTIST PRESS ASSOCIATION

The Southern Baptist Press Association met in Richmond, Virginia, February 9-11. All Southern Baptist State papers were represented except two.

Officers elected were: Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the Western Recorder (Ky) President; A. L. Goodrich, Vice-President; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder (N.C.) Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was both profitable and inspirational. Featured speakers were Dr. Douglas Southall Freeman well-known southern author and editor of the Richmond News Leader and Dr. J. Herrick Hall, editor of Good Tidings, Washington Baptist paper.

The Religious Herald, Virginia state paper, Rev. Reuben E. Alley, editor, and The Commission, mission journal of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, editor were co-hosts of the meeting. They left nothing undone to make the Richmond visit a delightful one.

One afternoon was given to seeing Richmond. It was well worth the time.

The next meeting will be held at Oklahoma City in May 19.

### LAUREL HILL SENDS LIST

Laurel Hill Church in Neshoba County recently sent in a list of subscriptions to the Baptist Record and is therefore helping the Baptist Record to maintain its all time high in circulation, which is now more than 63,000. The list of twelve names was sent by the church treasurer, Mrs. C. L. McDonald.

Laurel Hill Church has recently made several forward steps, under the leadership of Pastor W. C. Breland.

Record readers in Neshoba County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 1; Bethsaida, 9; Black Jack, 25; Bluff Springs, 1; Coldwater 41; Crossroad, 1; Deemer, 3; Dixon, 27; Emmanuel, 22; Hope, 38; Laurel Hill, 12; Linwood, 49; Neshoba, 46; Ney Harmony, 29; New Hope, 44; Oak Grove, 23; Philadelphia, 279; Salem, 44; Sardis, 24; Spring Creek, 47; High Hill, 45.

### FOXWORTH

While pastor E. L. Howell was supplying for another church, we supplied for him on Sunday night, February 13.

And believe it or not, the auditorium was almost full. That is unusual on Sunday nights in Mississippi.

Record readers in Marion County are now listed as follows: Bunker Hill, 103; Cedar Grove, 44; Columbia, 128; East Columbia, 58; Foxworth, 118; Gross, 78; Greenville, 26; Hickory Grove 8; Hub, 1; Improve, 93; Kokomo, 48; New Hope, 78 North Columbia, 1; Oloh, 56; Spring Cottage, 1; Clear Creek, 1; Shiloh, 25.

### THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

We were invited to speak to the Religious Education Association which held its annual sessions at Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, February 3-5. Our subject was "How to Keep Your Church in the News."

The attendance was almost one hundred per cent. Out of state speakers included Mrs. William K. Weaver, Montgomery, Alabama and J. Earl Mead, Educational Director Cliff Temple Church Dallas.

Cecil Lea, educational director of



Blue Mountain, Miss., Feb. 15 — These four alumnae of Blue Mountain College are now enrolled in the Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville, Ky., preparing for full-time religious work. Left to right: Ruth Swann, Statesville, N. C.; Jane Ray Bean, Cox's Creek, Ky.; Nellie Marden Park, Ft. Pierce, Fla.; and Mary Ruth Smith, Blue Mountain.

—From Blue Mountain College, 1949  
By Rosa Hall, S. C. N.

## Harold Cox To Head Orphanage Trustees

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage, on February 17, W. Harold Cox was elected President of the Board, C. H. Dean Vice-President, Ralph Hester, Secretary. W. G. Mize was elected to begin his fourteenth year as Superintendent of the Orphanage. Mr. Cox, of Jackson, succeeds W. N. Taylor as President of the Board and Mr. Hester, also of Jackson, succeeds J. M. Evans. Both the Taylor and Evans term had expired and due to the number of years served by these officers they were not eligible for election on the Board by the last session of the Convention.

The Board awarded contracts totaling \$77,366.00 for the construction of the new buildings on the Orphanage grounds. The buildings to be constructed are Pre-school age building with accommodations for some twenty four children as a complete home contain-

ing living quarters, dining room, kitchen, etc. The other building, a garage will house the equipment of the Orphanage and also repair shop.

There are eighteen members of the Board, sixteen were present for this meeting.

the First Church, Hattiesburg was elected president. Other officers named are: Otis Seal, of the First Church, Columbus, Vice - President; Miss Julia Mae Martin, of Second Avenue Church, Laurel, secretary and treasurer.

Baptist Record readers in Lebanon Association are now listed as follows: Brooklyn, 65; Camp Shelby, 13; Cartersville, 45; Central, 66; Dixie, 46; Glendale, 47; Green's Creek, 60; Hattiesburg, First, 549; Hattiesburg; Bouis Street, 53; Hattiesburg-Fifth Avenue, 259; Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue, 48; Hattiesburg, 38th Avenue, 86; Immanuel, 104; Irene Chapel 32; Lakeview, 13; McLaurin, 1; Macedonia, 35; Petal Harvey, 173; Providence, 94; River Avenue, 69; Zion Hill, 69; Fruitland Park, 1; Big Level, 48; Perkinson, 44; Wiggins, 84; McHenry, 19; Calvary, 26; Corinth, 33; Greenville, 31; Hickory Grove, 79; Lumberton, 137; Military, 34; Oral, 38; Purvis, 110; Sumrall, 55.

## VERBEKE ORDAINED AT EAST MOSS POINT CHURCH

Robert C. Verbeke was recently ordained by the East Moss Point Church to the full ministry of the Gospel. The examining council recommended him as a fully-qualified candidate.

Pastor Zeno Wells opened the ordination service with prayer and brought a short message on the duties of a Christian minister. The Rev. J. F. Brock, pastor of the First Church, delivered the charge and the Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Jr. of Kreole First Church, presented the Bible and led in the ordination prayer.

The Rev. Mr. Verbeke has accepted the pastorate of Fairhope Church in Chatham, Alabama.

ing living quarters, dining room, kitchen, etc. The other building, a garage will house the equipment of the Orphanage and also repair shop.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 20, 1949

Hattiesburg, Main St.	817	235
New Albany, First	525	172
Including Mission	551	
Crystal Springs	735	229
Zion Hill (Copiah County)	73	85
South Laurel	101	41
Florence, Steen's Creek	142	63
Ridgeland (Madison County)	46	33
New Zion (Copiah County)	90	76
East Columbia	74	65
Foxworth	134	50
East McComb	480	240
Friendship (Pike County)	141	69
Rocky Creek (George County)	181	90
Providence (Forrest County)	134	99
Carmel (Lauderdale County)	87	55
Meridian, First	731	
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	611	119
Meridian, Highland	561	164
Meridian, Southside	403	196
Meridian, Eighth Ave.	347	75
Meridian, 41st Ave.	330	112
Meridian, Poplar Springs	276	66
Meridian, Oak Grove	128	59
Meridian, Oakland Heights	123	
Meridian, Key		
Field Mission	70	
Jackson, First	1,226	389
Jackson, Elaine	150	84
Jackson, Calvary	1,256	316
Calvary Mission	34	26
Jackson, Parkway	723	253
Parkway Chapel	96	45
Jackson, Van Winkle	295	212
Jackson, Northside	458	180
Byram (Hinds County)	161	142
East Side (Rankin County)	88	61
Oral (Lebanon Association)	79	71
Columbus, First	925	275
Laurel, First	675	157
Laurel, Second Ave.	474	127
West Laurel	398	125
Lucedale	226	117
Gulfport, First	636	156
Evergreen (Winston County)	76	80
West Point, First	472	168
Sharon (Jones County)	97	96
Darling	55	24
Brookhaven, First	978	244
Durant, First	225	84
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	185	79
Mt. Vernon (Leflore County)	81	64
Glendale (Union County)	50	57
Delay	45	64
Wallerville	39	45
Corinth, Tate St.	301	81
Harrisburg, Tupelo	940	147
East Moss Point	184	86
Oloh (Lamar County)	82	94
Boyle	235	71
Crystal Springs (Walthall County)	138	83
Holly Springs	36	49
Houlika (Chickasaw County)	85	42
Boonerville, First	282	129
Bruce	249	104
Pascagoula, First	503	130
Eastlawn Mission	76	35
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	68	97
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	52	38
Center	138	102
Stwel (Hinds County)	108	109
February 13, 1949		
Magnolia, First	231	153
Houlika	110	38
New Zion (Copiah County)	99	64

## Rooms For Evangelistic Conference

There are still a number of rooms in hotels and tourist courts available for the Evangelistic Conference, March 1, 2, 3, 4, Columbus, Mississippi.

Rooms in private homes are available for all who desire them.

Write or wire requests for reservations in hotels or homes to RESERVATIONS COMMITTEE, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Mississippi.



## GIFTS FOR RELIEF HAVE GREAT SPIRITUAL VALUE IN GERMANY

NEW ORLEANS — "Why do the Baptist send us these good things which we need so terribly here in Germany?" is a question frequently asked by the recipients of relief goods sent through the Southern Baptist Relief Center. The answer they are given is, "Because the love of Christ compels them." This information is contained in an exuberant letter of thanks received at the Southern Baptist Relief Center here from Karl Reichardt, representative of Bruderhilfe (Baptist relief organization) in the Westfalen Association of Germany.

### Bubbles Over With Joy

Brother Reichardt bubbles over with joy and thanksgiving as he describes the arrival and distribution of 344 bales of clothing from the Southern Baptist Relief Center. Along with his letter he sent 106 notes of appreciation from pastors and other individuals who shared in the distribution.

Translated from the German by Dr. Arnold T. Ohm, Executive Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, the letter is much too long to print in full. Some of the most interesting excerpts follow:

During the week I received once more to my great joy a large shipment of clothing given by you. . . . Three hundred forty-four bales of clothing were placed at my disposal for distribution among 74 churches.

In order to help with the unpacking, sorting and distributing among the several churches, seventeen sisters and five young brethren volunteered. As soon as we told them about the work before us, they were excited because of the greatness of the shipment, and every one was full of expectation. We knew how this shipment would be received in the churches, and what joy it would bring for them to receive these large and valuable love gifts. My voluntary workers could, therefore, hardly wait until they were to begin the work. At eight o'clock on the dot, they had all arrived at the barracks where we otherwise have our church services. The great number of bales with the inscription "Southern Baptist Relief Center, New Orleans," had already been delivered to us. An explanation was given to all the helpers concerning the giver of these gifts, and a word was also spoken about the people who were to receive them. At the end of this explanation a short devotional talk was given in connection with Gal. 6:10: "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." Everyone was greatly moved by the love which was shown to us through these shipments from our fellow-believers in America.

In the closing prayer a word of thanks arose to our Lord Jesus Christ, who had awakened love and helpfulness in the hearts of our American fellow-believers, and who had brought the gifts to us undamaged under His protection. We asked Him to send blessings to all who, as givers or helpers, or as relief workers, had been active in connection with this service of love in America. We asked the help of our Lord for all those who were to be active in the distribution among the churches and within the churches, and we asked for happiness within our hearts and strength for our hands. This we have repeated each morning.

### Why Do They Do It

And yet, under our happiness quite often an earnest expression came into the face of one or other of the workers, together with a question which came to

their lips, "Why do the Americans send us these good things which we so terribly need here in Germany?" The answer has always been this, "Because the love of Christ compels them." And then the question remained, "Would give away my clothing and underwear, to strangers even if they were fellow-believers?"

The visible inscription on the bales, "in the name of Christ," was a strong testimony that more and more takes hold of our hearts. Given in the name of Jesus Christ. Received in the name of Jesus Christ. A better, clearer, or more unmistakable testimony no one can give. This testimony has received an echo in our town. The work that we have been doing has not been hidden. Many people have asked, "What are they doing there?" And out of this question a conversation could develop, the kind of conversation we wished, and could end with words concerning the love of Christ. The occasion for this conversation and the background for it, you have given us through your testimony. Your love to the disciples of Jesus Christ in Germany has become a witness of His love that surpasses all our thoughts and all our understanding.

To continue this ministry of love, your help is needed. Send your spare clothing, bedding, shoes, etc. today to the Southern Baptist Relief Center, 601 South Olympia Street, New Orleans 19, Louisiana.

## Religious Or Political Persecution In Hungary?

Much publicity has been given the imprisonment of Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Roman Catholic primate, by the Communist regime in Hungary, and suggestions have been made by high Catholic officials in this country that the United States take official action in the matter.

Recently, however, three bishops of the Lutheran church in Hungary issued a joint statement criticising Cardinal Mindszenty for his "political Catholicism."

It is difficult for us in this country, where religious freedom and separation of church and state are guaranteed by our Constitution to understand conditions in certain European countries where incidents, such as the arrest and imprisonment of this Catholic primate, have been taking place.

According to the Lutheran bishops, whose integrity may be regarded as highly as the Catholic primate, "Only political Catholicism has controversies with the state . . . Cardinal Mindszenty's activities would have been forbidden by any government. . . . God

entrusted the churches with the salvation of souls, and they should not be concerned over the Hungarian crown or with the restoration of the Hapsburg dynasty." (From Religious News Service.)

Under the government of Hungary, which was overthrown by the Communists, the Catholic church was the state church. The Catholic hierarchy was supreme in the religious realm and its influence in political matters was pronounced. Evangelical denominations now, enjoying a wide latitude of freedom there, were scarcely tolerated by the Catholic dominated government.

It was conditions largely created by the overbearing attitude of the Catholic hierarchy that has made possible for Communism to gain so large following in Hungary and other central European countries.

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**RACIAL, RELIGIOUS, AND POLITICAL** conflicts, and worldwide apprehension as to the possibilities of the atom bomb have brought us face-to-face with the choice-one world or no world. There is only one hope for civilization, the gospel of Jesus Christ accepted and lived in every nation. It is either evangelism or annihilation. . . . E. C. Roth. . . THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDER.

## Blue Mountain's Opretha This Year Will Be 'Sweethearts'

### ITINERARY

February 25	Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium
	Blue Mountain College
February 28	Municipal Auditorium
	Clarksdale, Mississippi
March 1	High School Auditorium
	Greenwood, Mississippi
March 2	Carr Central High School Auditorium
	Vicksburg, Mississippi
March 3	Municipal Auditorium
	Tyler, Texas
March 4	High School Auditorium
	Kosciusko, Mississippi
March 8	High School Auditorium
	Tupelo, Mississippi

### CAST OF SWEETHEARTS



### SWEETHEARTS

This year Sweethearts by Victor Herbert will be the operetta presented by the students of Blue Mountain College. This is one of the latest and most melodious of the light operas of this great composer. It was completed in 1913 and was first presented in Baltimore. It was so successful that it had reached Broadway before the end of that year and ran through a large part of 1914 in New York. It has since been presented all over the English-speaking world, and its tuneful melodies are known everywhere.

The premier showing will be at Blue Mountain College February 25. A troupe of forty lovely girls are scheduled to leave the campus for a tour of the state Monday, Feb. 28.

As usual the operetta will be produced under the direction of Miss Linda Berry, head of the Voice Department, and Capt. H. L. Tibbetts.

We believe many will want to avail themselves of the opportunity to attend Sweethearts at one of the places where it will be produced. Last year four thousand persons attended the presentation of The Vagabond King.



## Department of Temperance Activities

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### ANOTHER BEER ELECTION WON

A local option election called by the beer crowd to determine whether the legal sale of beer should return to Chickasaw County was held on February 15th. The dries won the election by more than two to one. The votes was 1830 to remain dry and 889 for the legalization of beer. It rained all day long on the day of the election.

Reverend D. D. Satterwhite, pastor First Baptist Church of Houston, led this campaign. He had the full cooperation of all of the pastors in the county except two or three, and these two or three are dead ducks in the county now. Brother Satterwhite arranged for many outside speakers throughout the campaign and almost gave his full time to it. He had the full support of all his people. These pastors who worked in this campaign are loved by the Christian people of Chickasaw County as they have never been before. It was my privilege to work with them through the last three days of the campaign.

On the Lord's Day preceding the election, there were approximately thirty church services where the pastors and outside workers were thundering away against the legalization of beer. On Monday a group of us traveled over the county with a public address system urging the people to vote and vote dry.

The Christian young people of Chickasaw County had a great part in this campaign. For a long time I have wished that I could see the Christian young people go all out in a campaign of this nature. I saw it

in Houston. Voluntarily and without the leadership of the pastors, the young people from the various churches in Houston organized for all out crusade against the legalization of beer. They printed posters and placards and put them on display in the business houses. They had several parades carrying U. S. flags and the Christians flag with a number of very effective placards singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and other appropriate songs, one of which they prepared for the occasion. They put a huge cross some three or four feet wide and fourteen to eighteen feet high on the court square. On the cross beam in large letters were the words, WOULD CHRIST VOTE WET? I have not seen a more enthusiastic group of young people than they were. Although they could not vote themselves they made many votes for the dries. Needless to say that the buzzards of hell who wanted to legalize beer were very critical of the young people but the more they said about them the more effective they were.

The election has been won and the by-products that come out of it are going to be great indeed. Such a campaign in any county is to the cause of Christ almost what a simultaneous revival in the churches would be. The pastors of all denominations were drawn closer together and love each other more than ever. God's people have taken a stand that will mean much to the churches. Then it is their determination to follow this campaign through and drive the bootleggers and their joints out of the county.

### Dejected Unionist Pickets Church Workers

LOS ANGELES —(RNS)— One dejected-looking AFL picket daily paces outside a church building project in the small community of Paramount, midway between Los Angeles and Long Beach. He bears a dirty, hand-lettered sign which says "Unfair."

Occasionally he stops his picketing, and comes over to rest and visit a while with the workers. Relations are apparently mutually friendly, with no hard feelings on either side.

The workers are members of the First Brethren church, Long Beach, who are building a \$100,000 parochial school. In order to keep down expenses, a couple of hundred members of the church are volunteering their services at odd hours, so staggered that there is always a working crew on the job.

A spokesman for the churchmen said union agents had demanded that union members be hired to do the work.

"We told them we were going to do as much of the work ourselves as we could," said the spokesman. "But they said that didn't make any difference, we'd have to use their men and that we'd better get off the job and put their men on or they'd see that we didn't get any gravel, cement, steel, and anything else we'd need."

"Well, we just told them that this is the Lord's work and we believed that He'd see to it that we'd get to build it ourselves if we want to. And we are!"

There seems to be a good supply of building material on the job, and the church people are going right ahead with their work.

### Romania Decrees Far-Reaching Control Of Church Groups

BUCHAREST —(RNS)— Far-reaching government regulation of Romania's church groups, ranging from control of their property and funds to supervision of their religious art, was officially decreed here.

The decree, published in the government gazette, outlined the functions of the Ministry of Cults as follows:

(1) To supervise and control all religious cults and their branches, such as communities, associations, orders, congregations, and foundations with religious or other scope;

(2) To supervise and control special religious education for training personnel for all religious cults;

(3) To approve the establishing of new communities, parishes, religious administrative units and the establishing of new posts for personnel; to know the names of all new personnel, paid or voluntary, in religious service;

(4) To control and supervise religious art as well as preserve that which represents artistic value;

(5) To supervise and control all property and funds of whatever nature or source of all religious cults;

(6) To execute the work in liaison with local representatives regarding relations and information between cults here and abroad.

### RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF DR. HOWARD SPELL

Whereas, for the last few months, while we have been without regular pastor, Dr. Howard E. Spell, Dean of Mississippi College, has served us as supply pastor conducting the various services of the church and at all times being available for the needed ministry to the membership and has served so acceptably and efficiently, and we desire to express to him our very great appreciation therefore;

Now, Therefore be it Resolved by the Haslehurst Baptist Church, that we recognize in Dr. Spell a Bible teacher of rare clearness and superb ability, a most excellent gospel preacher and spiritual leader, and a most delightful personality.

Resolved further, That we hereby extend to him the sincerest thanks of our entire membership for his faithful and helpful ministry during these months until a regular pastor could be secured; that we extend to him a most cordial welcome to visit us at all times in our homes, church services, and community; that we shall always hold him in the highest esteem, and pray for our Lord's richest blessings upon him and his excellent family; and

Resolved further, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, that a copy be handed to our beloved Dr. Spell, and another be forwarded to the Baptist Record for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. GUYNES  
R. L. COVINGTON  
H. L. GREEN  
—BR—

**GOD'S MIGHTY POWER WILL COME**  
to the humble believer who will recognize the need for it, believe it is possible to have it, anxiously yearn for it, and faithfully pray for it. Wait upon the Lord until his power is upon you and then use it for his glory. . . . Jerome D. Williams in The Sunday School Builder.

**THE NUMBER OF CHURCHES IN**  
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**PASTOR PAUL Z. BALL TAUGHT A** Study Course, "Studies in John's Gospel" for Pearlhaven Sunday School, during the Week of February 14-19, with 42 people enrolling and 19 of them completing the Course.

**MR. AND MRS. BILL HODGE OF** Des Moines, Iowa, are announcing the arrival of a daughter, Marilyn Ruth, on February 3. Mrs. Hodge is the former June Myers of Jackson and Bill is the son of Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor of First Church, Biloxi.

**MISS MAURINE SPARKMAN, FINE** Bluff, Ark., has been selected to serve as librarian for the Baptist Student Union Council, at Blue Mountain College. Miss Willie Vesta Winslett, Laurel, is the new freshman representative on the council.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-**ceived a copy of the minutes of the Monroe Association. A commendable job was done on both the preparation and printing of the minutes. Dr. J. M. Walker is moderator and A. O. Taylor is the clerk. The next meeting will be held in the Quincy Church on September 7.

**DURING THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF** February, 5,250 requests for rooms for the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City were received by Anson Justice, the chairman of the rooms committee.

**THE BELHAVEN COLLEGE BSU** sponsored EVANGELISTIC EMPHASIS WEEK on the campus February 7-13. Speakers for the week included: Rev. Marc Weersing, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Jackson; Mrs. Douglas Davis, Calvary, Jackson; Bobby Simmons, Mississippi College, and Mrs. Catherine Halliday, Jackson. — Sara Ruth Rochester, reporter.

**REV. L. E. MCGOWAN, WHO FORM-**erly served in several churches in Mississippi as pastor, the last being First Church, Moorhead, sends his renewal for the Record and writes: "I returned to the chaplaincy in the Navy last October and am serving on the U. S. S. Cabot, which is operating out of Pensacola for the present. My family is here. We are members of the First Church of Warrington, of which Rev. E. Y. Soilleau, formerly of Mississippi, is pastor. Brother Soilleau is doing excellent work. There have been over 200 additions in 15 months."

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., FEB. 12—**One of the new students who enrolled at Blue Mountain College for the second semester, Yoneko Kajita, spoke at general assembly yesterday. Miss Kajita came from her native city Kokura on Kyushu Island in Japan via Yokohama. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dozier, Southern Baptist missionaries, influenced her to come to Blue Mountain. Miss Kajita is a junior, having finished her freshman and sophomore work at Philippine Woman's University, Manila, P. I. She is majoring in education and plans to teach in Japan after graduating at Blue Mountain and doing graduate work later.

**KENTUCKY BAPTISTS HAVE ELECT-**ed Rev. R. B. Hooks as secretary of evangelism.

**PRAYER AND YOU (\$1.50) IS BASED** on two tremendous convictions: that "when God wants me to do something, He always finds a way of letting me know about it," and that no matter how humble may be he can through prayer help decide the way the world will go. In this volume, Author Helen Smith Shoemaker takes prayer out of the realm of pulpit oratory and teaches the people in the pew how to present their personal problems to God. Orders should be sent to Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

**BEULAH CHURCH IN DEER CREEK** Association organized a training union under the leadership of the Associational Missionary, Harold Douglas. An Adult union, Intermediate union and Story Hour were organized. Rev. J. H. Burrell is the Pastor.

See that your pastor gets to the Evangelistic Conference, Columbus, next week. Many people in Columbus Association, Monroe Association, Clay Association Oktibbeha County Association, and Noxubee Association, should drive in daily for all the services. They start each morning at 9:30 o'clock and close at 9:00 at night, Tuesday through Friday, March 1-4, First Baptist Church.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., FEB. 14—**Twenty-six students made the honor roll at Blue Mountain College for the first semester of the present session. They are: Mary Dean Hollis, Chalylbeate; Mary Kate Lowrey, Clarksdale; Patricia Hicks, Mobile, Ala.; Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark.; Evelyn Singleton, Memphis, Tenn.; Jean Jones, Baldwin; Patsy Clark, Paden; Jean Duncan, Griffin, Ga.; Emily Owen, Memphis, Tenn.; Cynthia Porter, Townville, S. C.; Virginia Rutledge, Fulton; Mary Murphy, Memphis, Tenn.; Dorothy Smith, Memphis, Tenn.; Betty Sue Dixon, Oakville, Tenn.; Eloise Ellis, Jackson; Mary Louise Oakley, Potts Camp; Betty Harper, Trenton, Tenn.; Merna Jean Hocum, Memphis, Tenn.; Jean Lipsey, Memphis, Tenn.; Mariam Preston, Nashville, Tenn.; Shirley Wieland, Trenton, Tenn.; Ah How Ching, Honolulu, T. H.; Martha Ann Cooper, Handsboro; Lavora Murfin, New Orleans, La.; Faye Murphy, Pittsboro; Grace Schwenker, Kirkwood, Mo.

**NEW ORLEANS — A REPORT REACH-**ing the Southern Baptist Relief Center here from Rev. Otto Nallinger, Baptist World Alliance Relief Committee representative in Europe, shows that in a survey made of 1,000 children in Bavaria, ten per cent had no stockings, sixty-nine per cent had winter stockings only and of these, eighty per cent had one pair only. Five per cent of the children surveyed had no shoes at all and forty-three percent had very bad shoes that should be replaced. Shoes and stockings should be sent to the Southern Baptist Relief Center, 601 Southern Olympia Street, New Orleans 19, Louisiana, where they will be packed immediately for overseas shipment where they are most needed. Clothing, bedding, and medicines are also critically needed.

**NEW ORLEANS—WILLIAM A. GREEN** Jr., prominent Baptist businessman of New Orleans, has joined the staff of the Southern Baptist Relief Center as a field representative, it is announced by Rev. Clovis A. Brantley, director of the Center. He succeeds Rev. H. A. Hunderup, Jr., and will work in the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Illinois, Missouri, and New Mexico. Prior to becoming associated with the Relief Center, Mr. Green was treasurer of the W. A. Green chain food stores and Piggly Wiggly grocery stores in New Orleans. A deacon in the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church of this city, Brother Green has felt the call to full time Christian service and hopes to enter the educational field when his work with the Relief Committee has been terminated. Thirty-four years of age, he is a graduate of the University of Alabama, is married, and has three children.

**REV. J. C. HUGHES HAS RESIGNED** the pastorate of Clear Creek Church, Jasper County, and Rev. L. C. Anthony has been called and is now serving as pastor.

**REV. HENRY BUCKLEW, PASTOR OF** Pearl City Church, Jackson, has been named by Governor Fielding Wright as a member of the Committee for Placement of DP's in Mississippi. Mr. Bucklew is to be the church representative. Agriculture, Labor and Industry are also represented on the committee.

**WHOSE DISCIPLES? (75c), BY JESSE** E. Wilson, explains the fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith in easily understood terms. It deals with the great facts of the crucifixion, resurrection, and coming judgement. Order from the publisher: Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

**AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE** office of the Baptist Record were: Rev. H. F. Williams, Laurel; Rev. W. S. Hardin, Drew; Rev. William H. Lee, Clinton; Rev. S. S. Pope, McComb; Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Estes, Canton; Hettie Nell Wood, Edna Long, Dimple Childress, Mrs. M. R. Stewart, Ernestine Faulknew, Joyce McGraw, Doris Crane, Burnie Dean Alford, Rebecca Chancellor, Rev. Trop Prince, W. J. Mahaffey, Roy McMullon, Clarke College; Jack Spradling, Jackson; George J. Burnett, Memphis, Rev. C. C. Weaver, Dekalb, E. S. Shoemaker, Jackson; Rev. L. E. Alford, Jackson; Rev. L. G. Sansing, Booneville; Horace Headrick, Clinton.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RE-**ceived a copy of the minutes of the Waltham Association. The minutes are well prepared and an excellent job was done in the printing. The next meeting of the association will be held in the Centerville Church, October 10-11.

**THAT I MAY KNOW HIM (\$1.50) IS** the tenth book published by the author, Vance Havner, and is a testimony to that grace which has led him through the years. The staunch, Christian faith of Mr. Havner will inspire those who read it. Order from Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

**WANTED USED CHURCH PEWS —**Rev. T. A. Sumrall, Station B. Hattiesburg, Miss.

**THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIV-**ed a copy of the minutes of the Kemper County Association which met at Salem Church. The minutes are well prepared and well printed. The next meeting of the association will be in Center Ridge Church October 7.

**DR. B. O. HERRING, PRESIDENT OF** Golden Gate Seminary, announces that the 1949 Summer Session will be held May 14-July 15 and not May 19-July 8 as state in the catalogue.

**SILAM CHURCH HAS SUPPORTED** half-time work since the coming of the Rev. R. F. Roblin as pastor in January. There were 95 in Sunday School on February 13 and there was one addition to the church, making a total of seven additions during the three Sundays since Pastor Roblin came on the field.

**THE LOGIC AND REASON IN CHRIS-**tianity (\$1.) presents in the form of a brief well-reasoned discussions for belief in the Christian faith, based on Biblical authority and external evidence. Author Edward D. Lucas, who is a prominent member of the Virginia bar, refutes the arguments of Paine, Ingersoll and others, showing that unassailable records and prophecies fulfilled are ample proof of the authenticity of the Bible. Order from the publisher: Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

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**MRS. ARTHUR LESLIE, ASSISTED** by Mrs. Carl Nelson and Mrs. Guy Futral, gave a program on "Christ in the City Streets" at the meeting of the Ministers' Wives Association at Mississippi College on February 18, with 21 members present. Following the program a social was enjoyed.

**THE LIGHT IN THE LIFE OF EVERY** Christian himself. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, when we repented of our sins and believed on Christ, we were re-created in the image of Christ, and the light which is Christ began to shine in our hearts. . . J. E. Lamblin in The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

**REV. LEONARD D. BAIRD HAS RE-**signed as pastor of the Wayside Church, Yalobusha Association, effective last Sunday.

## WESSON CHURCH ORDAINS HOLMES CARLISLE



REV. HOLMES CARLISLE

Holmes Carlisle, Mississippi College student, was ordained to the gospel ministry in the Wesson Church, Sunday February 13.

His examination was held before a presbytery composed of four ministers: Rev. Ivan Lowry, pastor of Pine Bluff (Copiah) Church; Rev. E. M. Daffin, retired, and Rev. W. C. Drummond, Jr., pastor of Wesson Church. The council heartily and unanimously recommended that the Wesson Church proceed with the ordination.

The service opened with a piano prelude by Mrs. Hal Ellis and a congregational hymn led by Prof. H. T. Huddleston. Roy Smith reported the action taken by the Wesson Church, authorizing the pastor to call a presbytery, and Rev. Rutledge Courtney read the report of the ordination council. A love offering was then taken, giving the people present an opportunity to have a part in the expense of preparation that Brother Carlisle is now undergoing.

Rev. Courtney read the Scripture and Rev. Lowry brought the message. Following the Laying on of Hands and the ordination prayer, led by Rev. E. M. Daffin, the pastor presented Holmes with an ordination certificate and E. G. Graham presented him a Bible in the name of the Wesson Church. The Rev. Mr. Carlisle pronounced the benediction.

Holmes is a graduate of Copiah-Lincoln Junior College and a native of the Sylvaena community which adjoins Wesson. He has recently been called as pastor of Woodland Church, and is an active member of the Volunteer Mission Band at Mississippi College.

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**TOWARD A MORE EFFICIENT** CHURCH (\$1.50) by William L. Leach, discusses the management and conduct of a church, covering the minister's executive task and responsibilities, administration, the church's own program and its program for the community, religious education, public relations, church building and finance. Each chapter is followed by a question-and-answer section, compiled of questions often asked in the author's peregrinations. Orders should be sent to the Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York.

**THE CROSS OF CHRIST RISES IN** majestic splendor and glory over sin and chaos and suffering of the world. Something happened there which has forever revealed the wisdom and power of God and forever declared that nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God. . . Clifton Allen, THE TEACHER.



## EAVENSON ENDS 1st YEAR IN PASTORATE AT MARKS; HONORED BY BTU DINNER Year's Progress Measured

Dr. and Mrs. I. D. Eavenson, who have recently celebrated their first anniversary in the pastorate of First Church, Marks, were honored at a sweetheart banquet sponsored by the Training Union.

Working with Mrs. John Rich, Training Union Director, Mrs. Clarence Day arranged a program of music after a presentation of the officers and leaders of the Training Union, W. E. Barbee, serving as toastmaster, presented Dr. and Mrs. Eavenson. Miss Joyce Farmer, Educational Director of First Church, Clarksdale, gave the closing devotional.

Allen Day and Miss Mary Helen Smith, selected on report in the 8 point record system, were crowned "Sweethearts of the Training Union."

During the year that Dr. Eavenson has served as pastor, there have been 62 additions to the church, 29 by baptism. Norton Chimes, a Moller Organ and a public address system have been installed.

The building has been repaired and redecorated. The floors have been refinished, with carpets being laid in the auditorium and tile being set in some parts of the building. New light fixtures, an outside bulletin board, and pulpit furniture for the auditorium have been ordered.

## GULF COAST S. S. ASSOC. MEETS AT GULFPORT, 1ST

On February 20 the Gulf Coast Sunday School Association met in First Church, Gulfport.

Miss Carolyn Madison, State Elementary Secretary, addressed a group of almost 100 persons, representing 14 churches on the Gulf Coast.

Officers elected for 1949 were installed by Rev. Joe T. Odle, pastor of First Church, Gulfport, assisted by Rev. Dan A. Morton, pastor, East Side Church, Gulfport.

East Side Church won recognition for having the greatest number present at the meeting. Grady G. Blackwell, Sunday School Superintendent was congratulated upon having won this recognition for the second consecutive meeting.

Billy S. Hilbun, Associational Superintendent of Adult Work, led the singing in the absence of Grant W. Shipp, the Associational Choirister, assisted by the newly elected Pianist Mrs. Laverne Fore from New Hope Church.

## SOUTHERN BAPTISTS LEAD IN RELIEF GIFTS

NEW YORK — Southern Baptists contributed nearly three times as many pounds of supplies for relief during 1948 as the Methodist group which is in second place, according to a statement issued by Church World Service, the interdenominational relief and reconstruction agency.

Southern Baptists are reported by CWS to have contributed 2,351,804 pounds of clothing, bedding, shoes, etc., to lead the Protestant groups in the total poundage of gifts. The Methodists contributed 869,893 pounds. Other large contributors were: Northern Baptists, 257,667; Church of the Brethren, 578,106; Presbyterian, U. S. A., 309,931; Presbyterian, U. S., 215,941 pounds.

## Rev. Roy M. Lewis Accepts Community Grove Pastorate

Community Grove Church, Columbus Association, was organized last August by the Associational missionary, the Rev. Boyd Armstrong. It is in a promising field and the advancement it has already made is challenging.

The Rev. Roy M. Lewis has accepted the call as pastor in connection with his pastorate at Plymouth, Columbus. He and the people of the church are planning toward a building program. The church enrolment is now 63.

Services are held each Sunday afternoon and prayer meeting each Thursday evening in neighborhood homes. The children serve as the choir for the Thursday night meetings.

The church would be grateful for financial aid from anyone. Contributions should be sent to the pastor, Rev. Roy M. Lewis, 904 N. 7th Ave., Columbus.

## NATCHEZ, FIRST PLANS \$100,000 ENLARGEMENT Designed to Expand Ed. Dept.

On February 13 the First Church, Natchez adopted plans and specifications for a large, brick annex to be added to the present church building, doubling the size of the present building and, according to the architect's estimate, costing \$100,000.

The church authorized its building committee to engage L. L. Brasfield of Meridian as architect. Mr. Brasfield had drawn the plans and specifications which were presented and approved at the meeting, depicting a three-story building which would provide forty additional classrooms, three assembly halls, a chapel with a 150 seating capacity, offices for the Sunday school superintendent and the educational director, a work room, and three nurseries.

The annex, which is to be begun in the late spring, will be erected on the northern and eastern sides of the present building and will carry out existing architectural lines.

Members of the building committee are: L. A. Whittington, chairman; H. B. Boutwell, Dr. W. A. Sullivan, T. B. Buckles, N. R. Drury, E. T. James, J. M. Jones, John A. Montgomer, Mrs. W. L. McGehee, W. K. Pyron, Mrs. B. E. Rippetoe, Miss Maudine Storey, and Dr. Homer A. Whittington.

Dr. W. A. Sullivan is the pastor.

## South Laurel Church Dedicates Annex

The South Laurel Church held a service on Sunday afternoon February 20, for the dedication of the new annex.

The annex and redecoration of the entire interior and painting of the exterior of the building has just been completed at a cost of more than \$6,000. A Baptistry was built and included in the annex are four Sunday School classrooms, a dining room and a nursery.

Assisting the pastor, the Rev. J. M. Foy, in the dedication services was Dr. James W. Parrish, pastor of the First church; the Rev. Tom Renfro, county missionary; and Horace Headrick.

C. A. Easterling, Jr., chairman, G. E. Richards, Dewey Herrington, Charlie Caine and Norman Strickland served on the building committee.

## SBC Pastors' Conference Meets May 17 At Okla. City

Dr. M. E. Dodd announces that the 15th Annual Pre-Southern Baptist Convention Pastors' Conference will be held in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, on Tuesday — May 17, 1949.

Rev. T. P. Haskins will be the local Associate Chairman for the Conference. The Music will be in charge of Mr. Paul Green of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dr. Dodd states that he will be glad to receive suggestions from the brethren regarding speakers and subjects.

## Western States A Challenge To Southern Baptists

By Dr. Ramsey Pollard  
Knoxville, Tenn.

It was my good fortune to have a part on the State Evangelistic Programs in California, Arizona and New Mexico, traveling with Dr. C. Y. Dossy, Assistant Superintendent of Evangelism of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Simultaneous Campaigns of 1950 (West of the Mississippi) and 1951 (East of the Mississippi) under the leadership of Dr. C. E. Matthews, were stressed.

The Home Mission Board, with Fred McCauley, Field worker, is carrying on a worthy program in this section of the west, but encouragement and a sufficient budget to meet the unprecedented opportunities are needed. There are hundreds of large communities in these States without a Baptist Church. To overlook this challenge is to sin against God and the hosts of unsaved and unenlisted.

The preachers who are doing a pioneer work, are a fine group of capable and consecrated men, facing tremendous obstacles as well as unlimited opportunities. They have accepted as their own the promise of God, "As I was with Moses, so will I be with thee."

The Executive Secretaries, Willis J. Ray in Arizona, A. F. Crittendon in California and Harry P. Stagg in New Mexico, are men of recognized leadership. The Superintendents of Evangelism, C. E. Wilbanks in California, Leroy Smith in Arizona and E. F. Lawson in New Mexico, are of the highest caliber. These pioneer States have papers of commendable size and quality. The Editors are L. A. Myers in New Mexico, W. B. Garret in Arizona and Floyd Looney in California. The Sunday School, Training Union and W. M. U. Leadership is exceptionally strong.

First, Grand Canyon College, Prescott, Arizona. Dr. Willis J. Ray, recently elected President, is leading in a campaign for building funds. It is my hope that hundreds of Pastors throughout the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention will heed his appeal for help.

Second, the proposed Western Assembly should by all means be located in Glorieta, New Mexico. If we are to have a Western Assembly, it should be in the West. God only knows what a "Western Ridgecrest" would mean to the Cause of Christ in that marvelous country. Glorieta is a superb location and has natural attractions offered by no other site in all the country.

There is lots of room for God-called men and women in these rapidly growing States. There is a tremendous need for Baptists of conviction and courage to undergird the work so well begun by our brethren.

## TRINITY, FULTON BEGINS BUILDING PROGRAM

Trinity Church, Fulton, is in the midst of a building program. Being a comparatively new church, the people have been meeting in a building constructed as a chicken brooder. The building fund began five months ago with \$53. With the help of friends both in and out of the state and the aid of our State Mission Board, more than \$4,000 has now been contributed toward the building, which is to be completed by April.

There have been 15 additions to the church, 8 on profession of faith, since August when Rev. E. D. Estes, former State Evangelist, came as pastor from a Little Rock pastorate. The Sunday school and Training Union have both grown, and the W. M. S. has helped organize a W. M. S. in the Evergreen and Salem churches. The weekly prayer service is also well attended.

## RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

Whereas, Rev. W. L. Day, who has been pastor of Louisville Baptist Church for the past seven and one-half years, has now accepted the pastorate of Calvary Baptist Church of Tupelo, Mississippi, and moved there, we desire to record a testimonial of our love and esteem for him ("Brother Bill" more familiar) and his noble family, and

Whereas, because of his gospel preaching and progressive leadership, our church has grown spiritually, and in numbers, and in the grace of giving, and under his competent direction expanded her building facilities, equipment, and services in the Sunday School and Training Union, and has led in the construction of a new pastor's home, also has laid the foundation for still further building improvement, expansion, and mission enterprise, both locally and abroad, and

Whereas, by his vigorous application, earnest and loving interest, and dynamic personality, he has done such effective work among our young people, inspired and enlisted more calls to the ministry and to special service than in all our past history, also, out of a shepherd heart he has taken a special interest in broken lives, and the so-called "down and outs" and restored many of them to active and joyful service, and

Whereas, through this broad acquaintance with the best preachers and workers in the country, and the high regard in which he is held by them, he has attracted to our church rare opportunities and unusual services, and

Whereas, the family have, all and each, (Brother Day, Mrs. Day and Billy) endeared themselves to us by their modest walk and sweet helpful ministries in so many ways, and leaving us in warm fellowship,

Therefore, be it resolved that we record our regrets in the loss of this pastor and family, and commend them to the church and people of Tupelo, and pray their continued success in the work of the Lord.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be made a permanent record on the minutes of our church, and copies be mailed to Brother Day, and to Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, Mississippi, and to The Baptist Record, also to the Winston County Journal.

By order of Louisville Baptist Church in conference on this 13th day of February, 1949.

W. J. WEBB  
R. Q. ANDERSON  
JOE H. MCCULLY

MANY CHRISTIANS FAIL IN MANY things that a Christian should do; but perhaps the most tragic of all failures in the Christian is the very poor reproduction of the life of Christ which we make. . . T. L. Yearby, THE BAPTIST TRAINING UNION MAGAZINE.